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## CONCERN MANIFESTED BY JAPANESE PRESS OVER AMERICAN SUPPLIES NOW BEING SENT TO VLADIVOSTOCK

### Asama Maru Case Recalled By Deputy Spokesman

LEGALLY SPEAKING, THE SOYA AND TSUGARU STRAITS ARE OPEN SEA, BUT THE QUESTION OF SENDING WAR MATERIALS TO RUSSIA THROUGH THOSE STRAITS COULD NOT BE DISCUSSED FROM ONLY THE LEGAL VIEWPOINT BECAUSE IT WAS "A MATTER OF FEELING," declared MR. KOH ISHII, deputy spokesman of the Information Board, at the Press conference in Tokyo yesterday, says Reuter.

Recalling the case of the ASAMA MARU, N.Y.K. liner, which was stopped by a British cruiser at sea off Tokyo Bay on Jan. 21, 1940, the spokesman said the case had aroused national feelings.

The present question also was a matter of sentiment, he added.

HE STATED THE MATTER WOULD BE DIFFERENT IF WAR MATERIALS WERE SENT TO RUSSIA, VIA THE INDIAN OCEAN.

Asked if Japan would object to American aid to Russia if it was not sent by a route so close to Japan, the spokesman said he did not wish to comment.

The concern manifested by the Press over American supplies being sent to Vladivostock represented the viewpoint of the majority of the Japanese people, he added.

To the question whether the Japanese Government had obtained a guarantee that American bombers would not be kept at Vladivostock, the spokesman answered, "I don't know, nor can I say anything now."

#### AMBIGUOUS LINE

At the Press conference, Mr. Ishii revealed that following the amicable delimitation of the three kilometre border area at Nomonhan between Manchukuo and Outer Mongolia, which was officially announced on Aug. 20, clarification of an ambiguous border line between Manchukuo and the Soviet Union was being discussed.

He added: "Whether the same border demarcation commission will take charge of the matter or whether a new one will be appointed for the purpose must be seen. Mutual concession and conciliation are responsible for a

### Australia Political Deadlock

MELOUNGE, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, in a letter to Mr. J. Curtin, the Labour leader, suggested that, in order to break the present political deadlock, an all-party Government should be formed.

He was prepared to remain in office as Prime Minister or serve in another capacity under a new leader.

The Labour Party has not yet commented on Mr. Menzies' proposal.

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### U.S. WAR MATERIAL FOR RUSSIA

LONDON, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — It is reported that RUSSIA has placed orders for war material in the UNITED STATES to the extent of £200,000,000.

Ten per cent. of the orders will be delivered within the next few weeks.

All Soviet requests for oil have been complied with and fighter planes have already reached Russia.

### TRIBUTE PAID TO RUSSIAN MORALE

LONDON, Aug. 22 (BWS) — Some details of the recent visit of the Chief of the British Military Mission to the German-Soviet front have been officially given here.

Lt. General Mason-Macfarlane, who went to the Smolensk sector where he saw a Soviet Division carry out a successful attack, reports that he was much impressed by the high morale and efficiency of the Red Army troops engaged.

Co-operation between the Air Force and the Army was extremely good and General Mason-Macfarlane states that the battlefield was cleared quickly and methodically of casualties and material and within 24 hours of the attack, most of the German dead had already been buried.

SINGAPORE, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — Rear-Admiral E. F. Spooner has arrived to take up his appointment as Rear-Admiral of Malaya and in charge of naval establishments in Singapore succeeding Rear-Admiral T. B. Drew.

## Details Of Atrocities Perpetrated By Nazis On The Soviet Citizens Revealed By Pravda

"BLOOD FOR BLOOD; DEATH FOR DEATH" is the title of an editorial in PRAVDA, organ of the Communist Party quoted by the Moscow Radio yesterday, says Reuter.

The article, which gives details of atrocities perpetrated by the Nazis on Soviet citizens, says: "No words can express the intensity of the feeling or the wrath of indignation which prevails in the hearts of Soviet men and women on hearing news of atrocities carried out by German hordes on their bloody way."

"INTENSE HATRED, WHICH KNOWS NO PITY AND WHICH KNOWS NO MERCY, IS THE ONLY RULE OF FIGHTING AGAINST BIPED ANIMALS WHICH CONSTITUTE THE GERMAN AND FASCIST ARMIES."

"Wherever its armies pass, they leave behind them a morbid trail of murder and robbery. Hitler dogs have covered with shame not only the German Army but also all the German people."

### TURKISH ENVOY, HITLER MEETING ROUSES INTEREST IN ANKARA

THE TURKISH AMBASSADOR IN BERLIN recently saw KERR HITLER at the latter's field headquarters, according to reports in Ankara.

It evoked considerable interest in view of factors in the background, says Reuter.

These are: FIRSTLY, German troop movements south of Bulgaria which are the first signs of German activity there since the signature of the Turko-German Pact.

SECONDLY, broad military hints given by the Shah to Iranian cadets. THIRDLY, the realisation of the German High Command that the Russian campaign will take longer than expected as shown by huge German purchases of skis in unoccupied Europe.

The troop movements in Bulgaria might be used as pressure on Turkey should Hitler decide to ask for passage of troops and goods across Turkey, and there is some speculation whether the strong terms of the Shah, which were presumably intended for Anglo-Soviet consumption, were not inspired by German promises.

THE ONLY ROUTE

Should the Russian resistance collapse, Hitler will be able to rush troops to the Iran frontier, but it

### Summary of the News of the Day

THE QUESTION OF AMERICAN SUPPLIES TO RUSSIA VIA VLADIVOSTOCK was again dealt with at a Press conference in Tokyo yesterday when the deputy spokesman of the Information Board stated that the concern manifested in the Japanese Press was the viewpoint of the public. He added that it would be a different matter if supplies were sent by the Indian Ocean.

AS A SOLUTION TO THE POLITICAL DEADLOCK IN THE COMMONWEALTH, the Australian Prime Minister has proposed the formation of an all-Party Government in which he would be willing to continue in office or to serve under another Premier. The suggestion is being considered by the Labour Party to which Mr. Menzies sent a letter.

THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES, LORD HALIFAX, formerly Foreign Secretary, has arrived in England for talks with Mr. Winston Churchill. He will attend meetings of the War Cabinet of which Lord Halifax is still a member.

ATROCITIES WHICH THE NAZIS HAVE COMMITTED ON THE SOVIET CITIZENS are revealed in a leading article in PRAVDA, organ of the Communist Party. Meanwhile, the Germans appear to have made no progress in their effort to Leningrad and Marshal Budenny is reported to have surrendered, thus sealing the bulk of his army across the Dneiper.

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## CURTAIN-RAISER TO BROADCAST BY PREMIER TOMORROW: BATTLE OF TRUTH LOST BY DR. GOEBBELS

### Two Standpoints From Which To Judge What Churchill Will Say

"No easy hope or loss shall bring us to our goal  
But ardent sacrifice of body, will and soul.

There is but one path for all, one life for each to give.

What stands if freedom falls? Who dies if England lives?"

Quoting these lines from Kipling, MR. H. WICKHAM STEED, the eminent author-journalist, had some interesting things to say in his weekly broadcast from London yesterday, about a recent article written by Dr. Goebbels which indicated the situation inside Germany, and also what he thought Mr. Winston Churchill would have to say when he broadcasts to the Empire tomorrow (Sunday).

Mr. Steed began his talk by referring to the practice of former theatrical managers to put on a sort of light play before the main feature as a sort of curtain-raiser.

The cinema-going public was treated to a form of silly symphony before the big film was shown in present times. He, therefore, was going to provide a curtain-raiser before Mr. Churchill broadcasts to the Empire on Sunday the story of his meeting with President Roosevelt somewhere on the Atlantic.

MR. WICKHAM STEED



to be made when the enemy is beaten. The second is the effect on the enemy and particularly the German people of what was agreed upon.

"We shall be able to look at the first standpoint only after Mr. Churchill has spoken but we can look at the second standpoint in the light of what Dr. Goebbels has said this week.

#### VILLAINOUS ROLE

Mr. Steed said that Dr. Goebbels reminded him of a character in Dickens which played a villainous role and had sworn an affidavit to tell the truth but had only spoken lies. Dr. Goebbels had the effrontery, in a recent newspaper article this week, to say that from the outbreak of war he had given strict orders to the German Press and radio to stick to the strict truth and nothing but the truth. And then he had gone on to say that he had imposed the death penalty for anyone who listened to the B.B.C. broadcasts from London which, he said, would envenom the German soul.

"And then came the truth when Dr. Goebbels said that if the German people lost faith in their Fuehrer they would lose the war."

"This is a curious utterance indeed," continued Mr. Steed. "It was already dangerous for the Germans to listen to broadcasts from London and now the death

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### DEFENCE OF LENINGRAD WITHIN ITS WALLS IS RECKONED BY RUSSIANS

With the spectre of winter before them it is not to be wondered that the Germans are making a super-human effort to gain something decisive," commented MAJOR ALLEN MURRAY when he broadcast from London last night.

Major Murray dealt with the three sectors, the extreme north and south and the Gomel region which was midway between Smolensk and Kiev.

The position briefly was as the last showed that the Marshal was reckoning with the possibility follows:

In the north, the Germans' main advance was to Leningrad, which apart from being the second city of Russia, was a great engineering centre. Marshal Voroshilov's call to the people to form home brigades and to defend street by street and house by house to the last.

Further south, the German attack on Gomel may be directed north-east towards Moscow or south-east to get behind Kiev to the great industrial area of the Ukraine.

In the Ukraine the situation was not clearer than it was on Thursday. We did know, however, that the German armies on the west bank of the Dneiper were on a pretty broad front.

Much depended on the capacity of Marshal Budenny's army to prevent the Germans crossing the Dneiper to the east bank.

We had practical proof, concluded Maj. Murray, of the great sacrifices the Russians were making to stem the advance of the invaders. Russia's cause was the Allied cause.

### Halifax Back In England

LONDON, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — Lord Halifax, British Ambassador to Washington, arrived by air at a British airport this morning.

Arrangements were made some time ago for him to return to London for conversations with Mr. Churchill, the Prime Minister.

His stay in England will be about a month and during that time he will attend meetings of the War Cabinet, of which he is still a member.

### Stamping Out Nazism

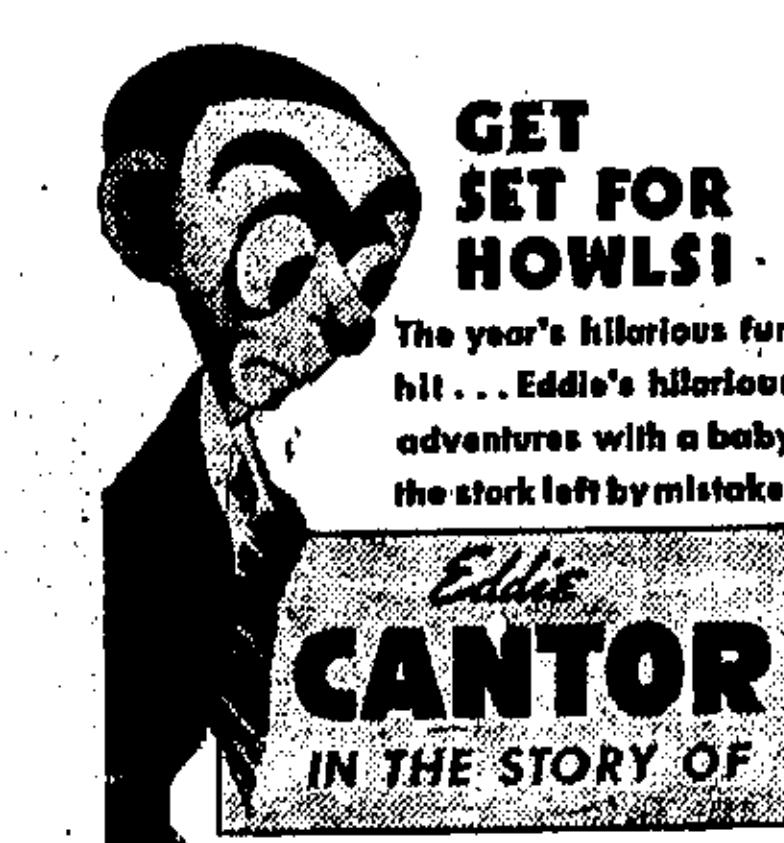
Commenting on President Roosevelt's outspoken views on his meeting with Mr. Churchill, MAJOR ALLEN MURRAY, in a broadcast from London last night, said:

"In this, we at war, with America, not at war, are quite mind and we rely on the American people to have no stone unturned to give the Nazis everything they need for final victory and to make the stamping out of Nazism a reality."



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Mystery to the crash of cymbals, spooks to the boom-boom of drums, murder to the tootle of trumpets! That's melodrama a la Kay Kyser, his band and the College of Musical Knowledge.

"That's 'You'll Find Out,'" showing tomorrow at the Majestic Theatre, and the title is a threat, a promise and an answer.

The picture stars with Kay Kyser finishing a College of Musical Knowledge broadcast, but the story starts when the band accepts an invitation to entertain at Helen Parrish's debutante party. It is held in the ancestral Bellacrest home, a gloomy old mansion surrounded by a moat and filled throughout with queer archaeological collection.

Helen's sweetheart is Dennis O'Keefe, the band's manager, and her aunt is Alma Kruger, whose interest in spiritualism has put her in the power of Bela Lugosi as a fake-medium, Peter Lorre as a bogus psychologist and Boris Karloff as the family advisor whose "advice" is designed to dump the great Bellacrest fortune into their laps instead of the heroines'.

Besides the splendid screen artists already mentioned, "You'll Find Out" also features Kyser's own stars—Ginny Simms, sweet singer and sweet gal; Harry Babbitt, Ish Kabibble and Sully Mason. They not only contribute their solo

## TRAIN DERAILED

Due to the removal of a considerable section of tracks, a passenger train on the Szechuan-Kashung Railway was derailed at Shuangchiao, north of Kashung, according to a Shanghai dispatch published in the TA KUNG PAO.

Over 50 persons were killed and wounded, two coaches overturned and the locomotive fell into a creek as a result of the incident.

The dispatch adds that similar incidents of train derailment frequently occurred on the Shanghai-Nanking Line recently, causing severe losses to the Japanese and the puppets.

The dispatch further reports that six bombs were discovered in Szechuan. The Japanese closed all the city gates and conducted a thorough search for persons hiding explosives but failed to arrest any. (Central News).

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sculptors but play important roles and aid in frustrating the fiends and furnishing fun.

## COMING EVENTS

AUG.  
23—Tides: High 10.11 a.m. and 11.17 p.m.; Low 3.49 a.m. and 5.07 p.m.  
Schools Swimming Gala, V.R.C. Pool, 7 p.m.  
Claims against estate of late Dora Anderson due.  
Massed Band Concert, H.K. Cricket Club Ground, 9.30 p.m.  
H.K. Lawn Bowls League, 3 p.m.  
Baseball League Matches, Chatham Road.

St. Paul's Church Bazaar, 10 a.m.

24—Tides: High 10.57 a.m. and 11.49 p.m.; Low 4.34 a.m. and 5.41 p.m.

Sunrise: 7.03 a.m.; Sunset: 7.46 p.m.

Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, West Lounge, 8 p.m.

St. John Ambulance Brigade First Aid Post Exercise, 10 a.m.-noon and 2.30-5.30 p.m.

H.K. Commercial Institute Commencement Exercises, King's Theatre 9 a.m.

S. & S. Home Social Hour, 1.30 p.m.

25—Tides: High 11.44 a.m. and 12.27 p.m.; Low 5.17 a.m. and 6.17 p.m.

Badminton in St. John's Cathedral Hall, 3 p.m.

St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship "Experiences Evening," 8.12 p.m.

26—Tides: High 12.32 a.m.; Low 6.02 a.m. and 6.49 p.m.

H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin, H.K. Hotel, 1 p.m. (Closed Meeting).

Farewell Dinner to D.A.R.P. Tru Wah Restaurant, 8.45 p.m.

S. & S. Home, Prayer and Fellowship meeting, 8.30 p.m.

Cheero Club Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.

27—Tides: High 1.07 a.m. and 1.27 p.m.; Low 6.67 a.m. and 7.26 p.m.

Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.

28—Tides: High 1.51 a.m. and 2.33 p.m.; Low 7.59 a.m. and 8.01 p.m.

Annual General Meeting, Kowloon Golf Club, Kowloon City, 6 p.m.

Cheero Club Bridge and Mahjong Diocesan Boys' School Entrance Examination for new boys, 9 a.m.

St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.

St. Andrew's Club Games Evening, 8.45 p.m.

29—Tides: High 2.34 a.m. and 3.30 p.m.; Low 8.15 a.m. and 8.37 p.m.

Kowloon Football Club annual meeting, Club Pavilion, 6 p.m.

Cheero Club Darts and Table Tennis.

St. Andrew's Wartime Intercession Service, 6.30 p.m.

St. Andrew's Fellowship: Talk by Peare Squires.

30—Tides: High 3.43 a.m. and 5.24 p.m.; Low 10.57 a.m. and 9.27 p.m.

Farewell Luncheon to H.E. Sir Jeffrey Northcott and Lady Northcote, H.K. Hotel, 1 p.m.

St. Stephen's College Entrance Examination for new students, 9 a.m.

31—Tides: High 4.52 a.m. and 7.06 p.m.; Low 11.32 a.m. and 10.47 p.m.

## GENERAL

## Radio Programmes

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## TODAY

## Variety And Dance Programmes

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.: cal's Accordion Land and Sam Browne (Vocal).

You Can't Pull The Wool Over My Eyes (Ager — Newman); When The Swallows Nest Again (Stevens — Edmund) — Print Scala's Accordion Band, Gypsy Violin (O'Flynn and Betzner) — Sam Browne with Orchestra, Sweethearts, Wooden Shoes (Both from film "Sweethearts" — Herbert Wright) — Primo Scala's Accordion Band, Gee, Oh Gosh, I'm Grateful! (Nesbitt Bros. and Carr) — What's Good For The Goose, Is Good For The Gander (Friend) — Sam Browne & Girl Friend with two pianos, Six Hits of the Day, No. 38 — Intro: Tiggity-booo! I'll Never Sing Again, Until I Smell At You, Begin The Beguine; I Can't Love You Any More; Fools Rush In; Playmates — Primo Scala's Accordion Band.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Program Summary.

1.02 A Programme of Light Popular Classes.

Peer Gynt — Suite No. 1 Op. 46 (Grieg) — Anitra's Dance — The London Philharmonic Orchestra, Serenade (Roselli) — René Chemet (Violin) w. Piano, The Jewel Song (From "Faust") — Act III — Gounod — Marlene Dietrich (Soprano) with Orch. Waltz from "Faust" (Gounod) — Eileen Joyce (Piano Solo), Anvil Chorus (From "Il Trovatore" Act II — Verdi) — Giuseppe Zinetti and Chorus of La Scala with Milan Symphony Orch. Glow Worm — Intermezzo (Paul Lincke) — The Orchester Raymond Berceuse De Jocelyn (Goderd, Silverstre) — Tino Rossi (Tenor) with Orch.

1.30 Beaufort and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 A Light Variety Programme.

Comedian X (The Seagull Song (Askey); More, Chestnut Corner (Askey and Murdoch); Arthur Askey and Richard Murdoch); Organ — Torch Parade; No. 2 — Intro: The Woodpecker Song; Too Romantic; A Nightingale Sang In Berkeley Square; Arm In Arm; If I Should Fall In Love Again; You Gorgeous Dancing Doll — Shirley Torch — Piano — Body & Soul (Heyman and Others); Musical Caricature — Mary Had A Little Lamb (arr. arr. 1.50).

1.50 The Don Cossack Choir.

We Sing To You — Prayer (A. Kasalsky); The Nightingale (Alabieff).

Dance Song (Reigenlied); Song Of The Cossack (Kossenkopol); Barynya; On The River Kasanka (arr. Dobrowol).

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7.45 Tchaikovsky — 1812 Overture.

The Philharmonic Orchestra with the Ural Cossacks' Choir conducted by Alexander Kitschin.

8.00 London Relay — The News.

8.15 London Relay — War Correspondent.

8.25 London Relay — Listen Post.

Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 London — Special Broadcast to British Forces in the Far East.

8.40 Local Time Signal, Programme Summary and Announcements.

8.43 Marek Weber and His Orch.

From Mozart's Treasure Store.

Fantasie (Urbach); From Offenbach's Sample Box — Fantasy (Urbach).

8.50 A Victor Herbert Programme.

Victor Herbert Melodies; Kiss Me Again; Gypsy Love Song — Albert Sandler Trio. Sweethearts (From the film "Life of Victor Herbert"); I'm Falling In Love With Someone (From "Life of Victor Herbert") — Allan Jones (Vocal); With Orchestra, Punchinello. Yesterday — Victor Young & His Concert Orchestra. Ah! Sweet Mystery Of Life — Webster Booth (Tenor) with Orch. Habanera and Vaguedo's Song (From "Natoma") — Harry Hotlick & His Orchestra.

9.45 — 10.00 News in French (On Short Wave only).

9.45 Charlie Kunz At The Piano.

Kunz Revivals, No. 1 — Intro: If You Could Care For Me; Kiss Me Again; Bitter Sweet; Some Of These Days; With A Song In My Heart; Night And Day. Kunz Revivals, No. 13 — Intro: When I Grow Too Old To Dream; The Bridal Waltz; One Night Of Love; My Dance; In The Merry Month Of May; The Girl With The Dream Eyes.

10.00 London Relay — The News and News Commentary.

10.15 Local Sport Results.

10.17 An Hour Of Dance Music.

Fox-Trots — You're The Moment Of A Lifetime; Amapola (Pretty Little Poppy) — Swing and Sway with Sammy Kaye. Swing Fox-Trots — Can't You Tell? Once More — Benny Goodman & His Orch. Slow Fox-Trot — Mist On The River; Fox-Trot — Tiny Old Town — Jay Wilbur and His Band. Tangos — Fireflies; Moonlight On The Rio Grande — Helga Hippertz and His Orchestra. Fox-Trots — Copenhagen; Softly, As In A Morning Sunrise — Artie Shaw and His Orchestra. Quick Step-On The Sunny Side Of The Street; Waltz — If Tears Could Bring You Back — Victor Silvester and His Orchestra.

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Imperial War Cabinet Idea  
Opposed By Mackenzie King

LONDON, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — Mr. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, saw Lord Cranborne, Secretary of State for the Dominions at the Dominions Office yesterday afternoon. He also called on Mr. Angus Macdonald, Canadian Minister of Defence at his hotel.

A large gathering of journalists presided over by Mr. Brendan Bracken, Minister of Information, met the visiting Premier at the Ministry of Information when he was questioned on his views about an Imperial War Council.

Mr. King said he thought they had the most perfect and continuous conference of cabinets that any group of nations could possibly have.

It was essential to have an effective means of communication between different parts. "I have been in office many years and I say without hesitation that I can not conceive a more effective means of communication than now exists," he added.

As head of the Government in Canada he received communications direct from Mr. Churchill and was also able to communicate with him. In addition communications came almost hourly from the Dominions Office giving a complete picture of what was taking place. Moreover the British High Commissioner in Canada received other communications which he was able to impart personally to the Prime Minister or other Ministers of Canada.

## COLLECTIVE OPINION

At all times but particularly in times of great emergency important decisions should be made not by one man but by the government as a whole. Under the present arrangements if a communication was addressed by the United Kingdom Government to the Government of Canada, the Canadian Minister was able to give expression to the collective opinion of the Cabinet representing Parliament and the people of Canada.

It might seem, went on Mr. Mackenzie King, "that some Imperial Cabinet sitting in London would be more effective in making decisions. But what is expressed today through the Cabinets of Dominions is infinitely more effective in reaching quick and true decisions than other arrangements could possibly be."

"I was present at the War Committee of the British Cabinet today. I would not be in a position on my own initiative to say without consultation with my colleagues in Ottawa and through them with their armed services colleagues just what was the opinion which could be given to the Government. That would mean talking to the other side and getting word back before I could communicate."

"It is very much easier to give the Cabinet an opinion by being able to discuss it with my colleagues in all its phases and thus represent it to the Government here as a collective opinion."

## CLOSE RELATIONS.

Mr. Mackenzie King said that there had never been a time when relations had been closer than they were today, nor when they had less in the way of differences between them. There had never been a single point of difference on any essential matter since the beginning of the war between the Canadian and the

RUSSIANS BLOW UP AN UNFINISHED BATTLESHIP, CRUISER BEFORE THEY QUIT FROM NIKOLAEV

MOSCOW, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — M. Lozovskiy, Deputy Chief of the Information Bureau, denying German claims that they have captured an unfinished Russian battleship and other vessels at Nikolaev, said that the facts were that the unfinished and unengined battleship and a cruiser on the stocks were blown up by the Russians together with the shipyards.

German officers in Russia, writes Reuter's Special correspondent, have received instructions from Berlin to tell the troops that the severity of the Russian winter is grossly exaggerated and that all the men need to withstand the rigours of winter is thick clothing plus valenki (Russian felt boots), which are to be taken from the peasants.

These instructions, which I learn from an authoritative source, show that Hitler realises that a winter campaign is inevitable and that his men are nervous about the winter.

Russian planes raided Berlin last night, causing fires, says Moscow

and Japanese.

It is also stated that all Russian planes returned safely.

## FOREGONE CONCLUSION

LONDON, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — The Germans yesterday claimed the capture of Narva, Novgorod and Kherson, states a military commentary by Annalist. The Russian communiqué speaks only of stubborn fighting at Odessa, Gomel and Novgorod.

He concluded that the Thais were ready to sacrifice everything in case of unprovoked aggression on whichever side.

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PRES. ROOSEVELT REPORTS  
TO CONGRESS ON HISTORIC  
MEETING WITH CHURCHILL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — President Roosevelt, in a message to Congress reporting on his epoch-making meeting at sea with Mr. Churchill, said that the declaration of principles agreed upon there was so clear-cut that it would be difficult to oppose "without automatically admitting willingness to compromise."

These principles, the President added in his brief special message, also would be hard to oppose without admitting willingness "to agree to a world peace which would give to Nazism domination over large numbers of conquered nations."

"Inevitably," adds the President, "such a peace would be a gift to Nazism to take breath—an armed breath—for a second war to extend its control over Europe and Asia to the American Hemisphere itself."

White House officials say that President Roosevelt's message to Congress was suggested by Democratic Congressional leaders who conferred with the President on August 18 regarding the Churchill-Roosevelt meeting.

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THAILAND'S  
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NEUTRALITY  
REITERATED

BANGKOK, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — British and Japanese assurances to Thailand, her own determination to try her best to adhere to the strictest neutrality and her preparedness to die for freedom were three guarantees of Thai security, said Luang Vichit Vathakarn, Deputy Foreign Minister, in a broadcast yesterday. Later the speech was translated into English, French, German, Italian and Japanese.

After reiterating the Thai policy adumbrated on July 29 and August 9, Luang Vichit Vathakarn said that Thailand must thank the British and Japanese for the assurances given by their spokesmen, including Mr. Anthony Eden and Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham.

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## INTEGRAL WHOLE

British and United States production of war supplies, it is reported, is now being made one integral whole, working with one purpose towards a single objective. A much higher degree of efficiency seems bound to result.

It is stated that efforts will now be directed towards bringing Russia into this supply system so that the industrial efforts of all three nations can be integrated and directed in an intelligent manner towards their common objective.

At present, it is added, there is not sufficient information coming from Russia, either regarding fighting or production in the Soviet Union for this purpose, but it is believed that the position has been stated unequivocally to Moscow, and it will be repeated if necessary when the tripartite talks in Moscow begin.

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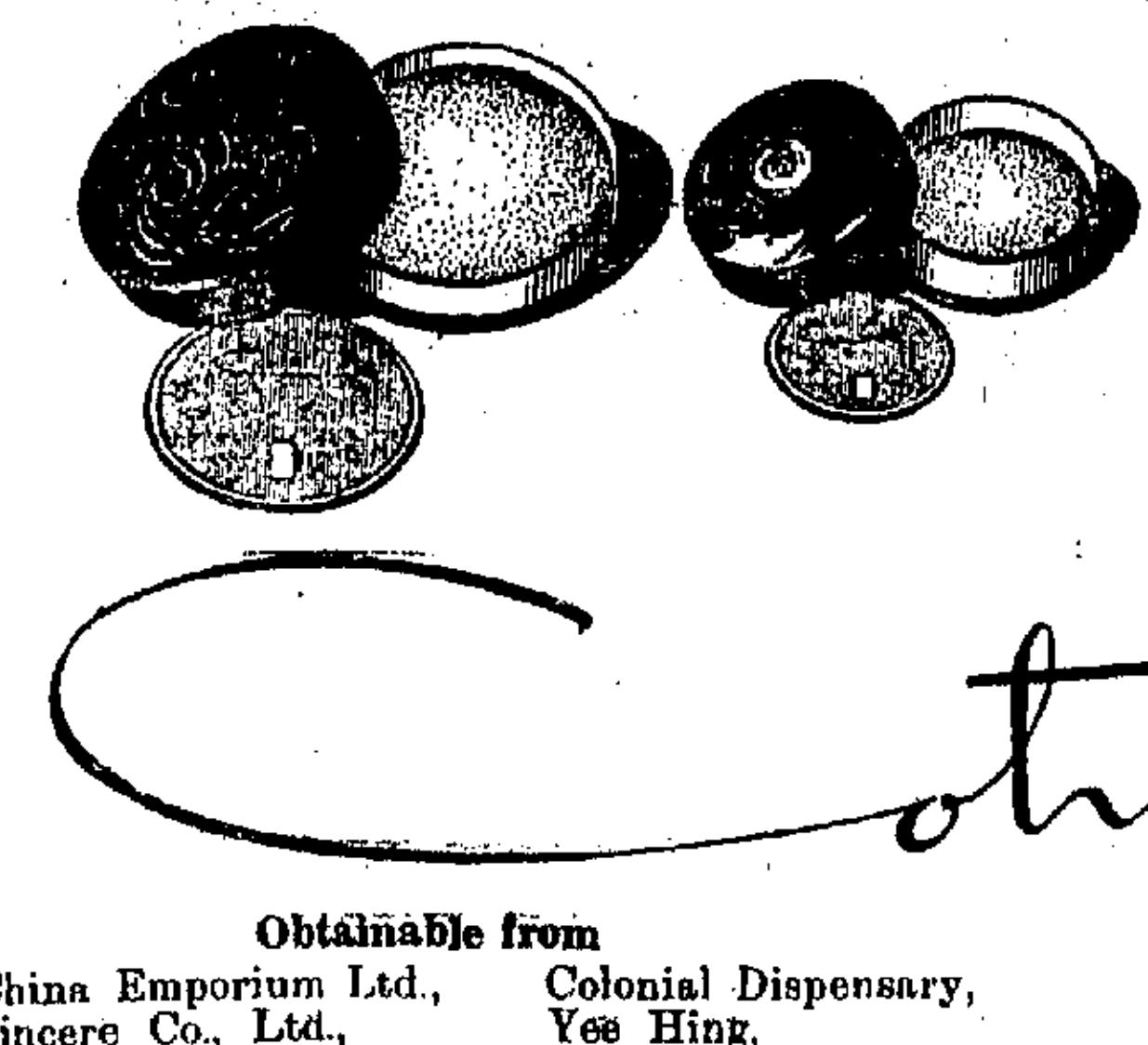
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LONDON, Aug. 22 (BWS) — The annual report of the Friends of National Libraries gives a list of libraries which have already been destroyed or badly damaged by enemy action.

Included in the list is the British Museum Library where sections of law, archaeology, fine art, etc., and sets of philological and bibliographical periodicals were largely destroyed. Goldsmith College where about 12,000 books were destroyed. Guilds Library, King's College London Library, Inner Temple Library and the public libraries of Liverpool, Plymouth and Richmond.

Birkbeck College Library has been almost completely destroyed as have many thousand of books in the National Central Library.

COST OF LIVING  
IN SYRIA

Trade With Country  
Now Sanctioned

CAIRO, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — The Board of Trade regulation, issued on Wednesday permitting trade with Syria, is expected to help bring down the cost of living there. One of the reasons for the present high costs in Syria is the fact that the Vichy regime left Syria short of essential supplies. The British and Free French authorities have now arranged for 5,000 tons of wheat to be delivered to Damascus at the rate of 150 tons a day.

The Russians have still room to employ the cushion tactics that have proved so successful up to now, enabling them to absorb shock attacks without undue loss to themselves while exacting costly payment from the enemy.

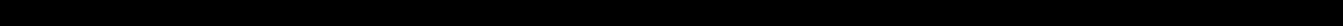
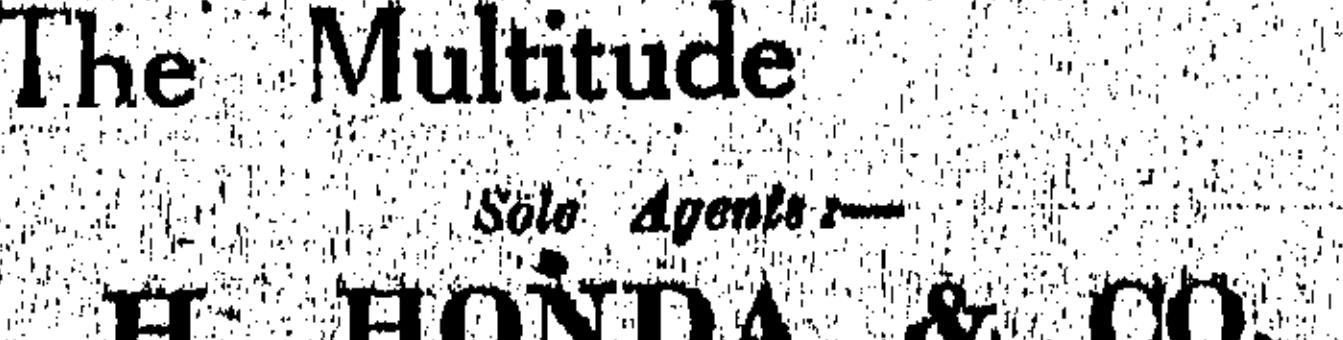
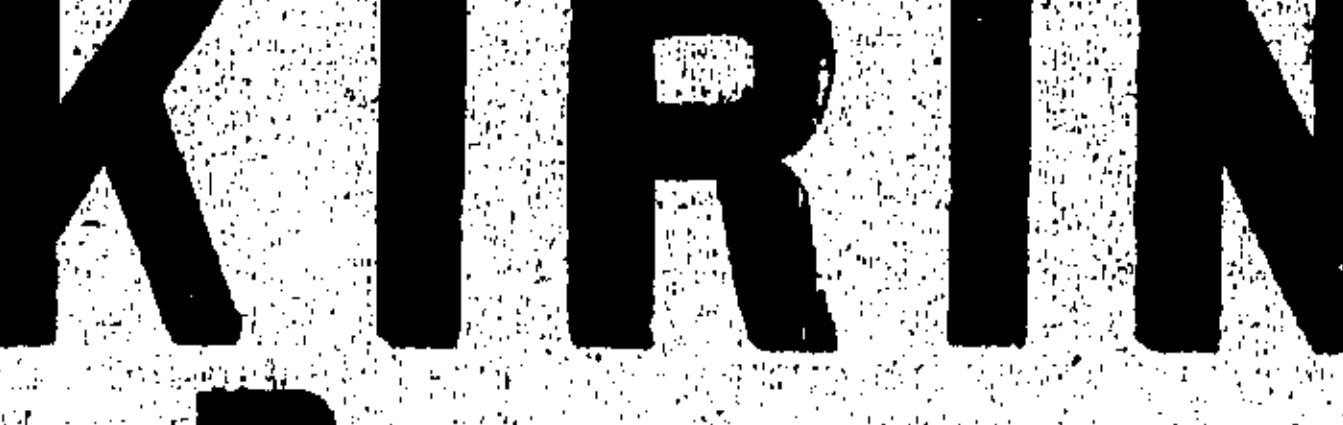
They are, however, getting very near the region where they will be fighting with their backs to the wall in defence of the great industrial belt of Leningrad. Then they will not be able to yield any further; but it will remain to be seen whether the German blows will not have lost much of their weight.

At the same time, the Corporation is also developing in the central sector of Gomei between Smolensk and Kiev. It has met with local success but it is not yet clear whether the Germans will continue to drive eastwards towards Moscow or south-eastwards so as to menace the rear of Kiev.

The number's engaged in these gigantic battles are so immense that it is obvious that even the Germans cannot put their maximum weight into all fronts at once. But this sector is undoubtedly one to which they attach the most importance as it is directed against Moscow, and it is probable that they will make a desperate effort to effect that breach which has so far defied all their efforts.



## ELITE STYLES



## CHINESE "BLITZKRIEG" PUBLICATIONS

### Sedition Alleged By Crown At Central Magistracy

Further hearing of the case in which Chiu Hui-yan, 26, acting manager of the Star Publishing Co., No. 175 Queen's Road Central, and C. N. Lau alias Lau Siu-pun, manager of the Tai Shing Printing Press, Room No. 406, Holland House, charged with having in their possession, a seditious publication, to wit, 500 copies each of a publication called "Lun Sim Kit Chin" (Blitzkrieg) without lawful excuse at their respective premises on June 26, was fixed by Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday at the Central Magistracy for Aug. 26.

Second defendant, was additionally charged with having printed a seditious publication, to wit, 1,000 copies of a publication called "Lun Sim Kit Chin" (Blitzkrieg) without lawful excuse at Nos. 114-118, Tung Lo Wan Road.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, prosecuting, referred to an extract from page 58 of the said publication, the translation of which is as follows:

Meantime Britain and France actively engaged themselves in dragging the small and weak neutral nations of Europe into the war. They attempted to form a ring to encircle Germany, making these small nations "pick up the nuts from the fire" for them, thus to weaken Germany. The British and French rulers did not truly heartedly have concern for the fate of these small nations. Nor

### NEW GOVERNOR DUE EARLY NEXT MONTH

It was learned from authoritative sources yesterday that SIR MARK AITCHISON YOUNG, K.C.M.G., formerly Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Tanganyika Territory and whose appointment as Governor of Hongkong was announced on June 27, is due to arrive in the Colony early in September.

Sir Mark, it was further learned, will be making an official landing.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G., will, it was learned, leave shortly after the arrival of his successor.

The new Governor's brother, Major Sir Hubert Young, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., is Governor of Trinidad.

### Compulsory Manning Exercise

Special Orders by Colonel H. B. Rose, M.C., Commandant, H.K. Volunteer Defence Corps.

Members of the under-mentioned units will be required to attend a Compulsory Manning Exercise for periods as stated—

5 p.m. Wednesday 3.9.41 to night 4.9.41.—Field Company Engineers and R.O.D.C. Detachments as ordered; Mobile Column; Corps Signals; Field Ambulance; Small detachments as ordered.

2 p.m. Friday 5.9.41 to p.m. 7.9.41.—Platoon, No. 1 Company; No. 6 Company—Detachments as ordered.

7 p.m. Friday 5.9.41 to p.m. 7.9.41.—Corps Signals (one detachment); No. 1 Company (remainder of Company).

a.m. Saturday 6.9.41 to p.m. Sunday 7.9.41.—Corps Artillery Headquarters; 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th (A.A.) Batteries; Corps Artillery; Corps Signals; Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9; Field Ambulance; Pay Section.

Corps H.Q., Details Corps Signals, A.S.C. Company, Air Arm, Nursing Detachment, Stanley Platoon—Personnel to be detailed in detachments for periods not exceeding 48 hours between 3rd Sept. and 8 Sept. (inclusive).

### LEAVE CANCELED

All leave granted within the Colony (except sick leave) will automatically be cancelled for the periods during which each individual is required to attend.

There are cases where employers have already been notified that in certain circumstances they may retain the services of members of their staff. In view, however, of the very short periods for which individuals are required, employers are requested to make arrangements for all their employees to attend this exercise.

It is hoped that as many as possible on Unit Reserve will also attend.

## ROUND THE POLICE COURTS AT CENTRAL

### CAUTIONED

Lau Yat-tam, of the Luk Kwok Garage, was cautioned by Mr. Sheldon when he was summoned for failing to return his truck to the garage, in Hennessy Road.

Traffic-Sgt. Dingsdale prosecuted.

### "TSE FA" GAMBLING

Charged with keeping the second floor of No. 5 Yat Fu Street, as a common gaming house for the purpose of Tse Fa lottery on Aug. 21, Wong Chi-ying, 44, unemployed, was fined \$100 or three months by Mr. Sheldon.

Det.-Insp. Byron prosecuted.

### GAMING HOUSE

Pun Yau, 26, unemployed, of No. 120 Belchers Street, ground floor, was fined \$75 or two months by Mr. Sheldon when he was charged with keeping a common gaming house at the above address for the purpose of Tse Tam lottery on Aug. 21.

Det.-Insp. Byron prosecuted.

### DEMANDING WITH MENACES

Lui Wong, 32, shop cooie, and Ng Siu-lam, 29, shop keeper, were remanded 72 hours in Police Custody by Mr. Sheldon when they were charged with demanding \$3 with menaces from Tang Hung-fan at the Kwun Tin teahouse, No. 133 Johnston Road, ground floor, on Aug. 20.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison is in charge of the case.

### POSED AS GOVT. SERVANTS

Choi Sang, 22, fokl of Kwong Cheong Tai, at No. 62, Battery Street, and Tse Wing, 22, master of the same firm, appeared before Mr. G. T. Lowry when they were charged with having, on Aug. 18, at No. 66 Stanley Street, ground floor, attempted to obtain \$8 from Chu Fong by pretending that they were Government servants and able to renew the firewood dealer's licence for complainant.

First accused was additionally charged on two similar counts, the complainants being Chan Po, of No. 146, Belchers Street, and Ho Chuen of No. 69 Belchers Street.

He was also charged with having obtained on May 7, at No. 69 Belchers Street, the sum of \$48 from Lung Kwok by pretending that he was a Government servant able to renew the firewood dealer's licence for complainant and also with receiving, on Aug. 9, the sum of \$48 and on Aug. 12 the sum of \$36, from the same complainant.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo is appearing for the accused while Det.-Sgt. White is prosecuting.

First accused is on \$500 bail and the second on \$100.

The case was remanded to Aug. 25.

### UNMANIFESTED CARGO

Ma Yau, 40, cook, and Chan Yau-tat, 64, watchman, were charged before Mr. Lowry with attempting to import into the Colony bags of copper coins, valued at \$2,000, which were not unmanifested on board a ship, on August 20.

Confiscation of the bags of coins was ordered and defendants were cautioned.

### FORGED BANKNOTES

Mo Fong, 36, unemployed, and Lee Hel-wu, 70, broker, charged with possession of five forged \$10 notes of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, on Aug. 20 were remanded three days when they appeared before Mr. Lowry.

Det.-Sgt. T. Cashman is in charge of the case.

### BOUNDED OVER

Mak Yiu-ting, 25, junk fokl, was bound over in the sum of \$100 for six months by Mr. Lowry for unlawful possession of one rifle and 20 rounds of ammunition, on board a junk, No. T560H, at Sai Wan Ho, on August 21.

Sgt. Forrest prosecuted.

### ALLEGED ASSAULT

Saleh Hattihwale failed to appear before Mr. A. N. Macfadyen when he was summoned for assaulting Abdulla Saider, at No. 69 Wyndham Street, third floor, on August 5.

The summons was adjourned sine die for the defendant to be present.

Mr. A. el Arculli appeared for the complainant.

### LARCENY BY SERVANT

Leung Shing, 24, car cleaner, appeared before Mr. Sheldon when he was charged with larceny by servant of one battery valued at \$30 from Wallace Harper, on Mar. 18. He was additionally charged with larceny by servant of two batteries valued at \$70 from the same firm on Aug. 17.

Accused was fined \$100 or one

## GENERAL

### COLONY'S POOR LOSE GOOD FRIEND

#### Departure Of Mrs. N. L. Smith

By the departure of MRS. N. L. SMITH, wife of the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Colonial Secretary, Hongkong's charitable institutions have lost a keen and energetic supporter and an indefatigable worker.

Mrs. Smith, who left the Colony early this week, was one of those social-workers who not only "lend" their names to a worthy cause but who also invariably take an active part in the work of that cause.

She always had a cheery word for those in need and who appealed to her for assistance. Of a kindly and generous disposition, Mrs. Smith will be greatly missed by all those who were fortunate enough to know her and especially by the Colony's poor.

month on each charge, the terms to run consecutively.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison prosecuted.

### ROBBED UNCLE

Charged with the larceny of \$3,500 from Tse Tong, 47, contractor of No. 212, Shaukwan Road, first floor, on Aug. 14, Hung Kwan-ming, 18, unemployed, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. Sheldon.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison, prosecuting, stated accused was the nephew of the complainant and on the day in question he took the money, which he knew where his uncle kept, and went to Macao. During his stay in Macao he lost \$1,140 in gambling, the balance of \$2,360 being recovered.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison is in charge of the case.

### ACCUSED ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN IN POSSESSION OF DANGEROUS DRUGS

On the application of Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison, Yu Yan, 37, messenger of the Northcote Training College at Bonham Road, and Wan Tai-mui, 20, unemployed, of No. 15 Hollywood Road, first floor, were remanded one week by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., yesterday.

Accused were alleged to have in their possession dangerous drugs at Queen's Road, East, while second accused was additionally charged with impersonating a Police Officer at the same place.

### COUNTERFEIT COINS

Li Chik, 33, unemployed hawker, of 2, Ching Wo Lane, ground floor, was sentenced to four months' hard labour by Mr. Sheldon when he was convicted on the charge of possession of counterfeit coins, to wit, 49 counterfeit five-cent pieces (Hongkong) at Des Voeux Road, West, near Bonham Strand West, on Aug. 20.

Det.-Insp. Byron prosecuted.

### TRAFFIC SUMMONSES

Appearing before Mr. Sheldon, Ho Kim-Cheung, was fined \$5 for speeding and \$10 on a summons against him for disturbance by unnecessary sounding of the horn.

Traffic Insp. F. J. Clarke, prosecuting, said that he followed the truck, No. 4749, defendant was driving along Byron Road near Tonnochy Road which was going at speed of 24 miles per hour.

Regarding the second offence, Insp. Clarke said that defendant sounded his horn approximately 50 times.

### R. O. OFFICERS CHARGED

Before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson yesterday, the case in which a European Revenue Officer, Christian James Ernest Scott, and two Chinese Revenue Officers, Fok Man Chang and Fok Yung Chan, are charged with conspiracy for extorting and demanding money with menaces, was adjourned to next Monday.

Mr. M. A. da Silva, who is appearing for the defence, applied for reduction of the bail of \$2,500 which was refused.

### ACCIDENTAL DEATH

A verdict of accidental death was returned by Mr. Anderson, sitting as coroner at an inquiry into the death of Pan Cheung who died at the Kowloon Hospital last July, from injuries received when knocked down by a car driven by G. Henderson, of 1, Highbury Road, Kowloon Dock.

Sub-Inspector S. R. Brittain appeared on behalf of the Police.

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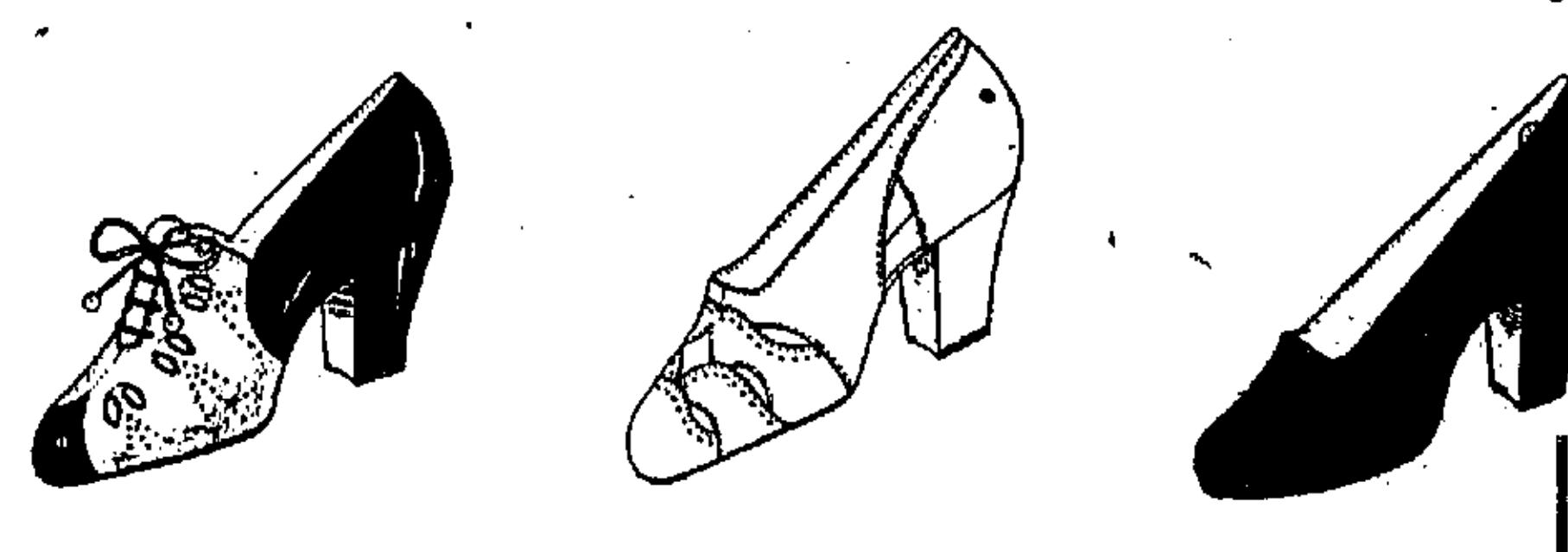
For larceny of a leather belt containing 30 cents from Wong Tim, while he was sleeping outside No. 27, Ching Lok Street, San San Sam was bound over in the sum of \$10 for six months.

### WIFE BROKEN

Lam Kap Mai, 26, widow, was

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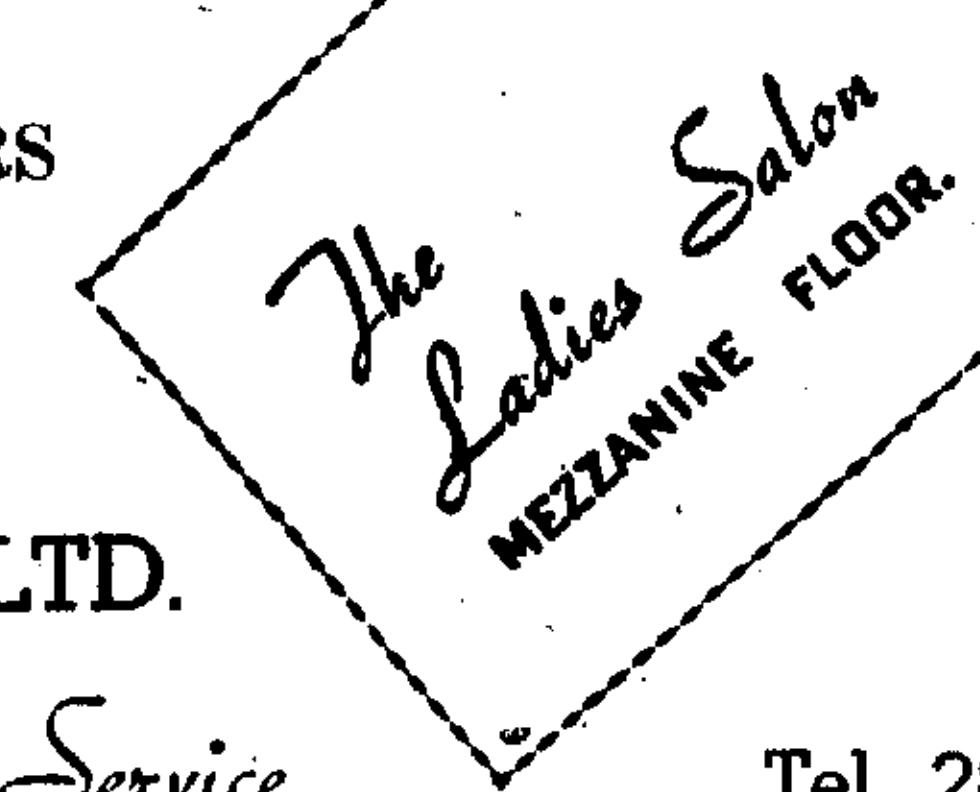
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## CURATIVE PEACE

THE ELUCIDATION of the

recent Eight-Point Declara-

tion which an American

foreign correspondent sought

to offer in a recent broadcast

from London, even if it did

not entirely succeed in doing

so, at least provided an effec-

tive answer to those who still

demur at talking of peace

before the war is over. The

speaker made his point quite

clear when he declared that

if it was necessary to prepare

for war in time of peace, it

was no less desirable to pre-

pare for peace in time of war.

The sort of peace which the

Eight-Point Declaration aims

at was aptly described as "a

curative peace" and the

difference between the kind

of peace that Herr Hitler's

New Order envisaged was

stressed when evidence was

adduced to show that it

would be merely a punitive

peace in which the countries

which were subjugated to

Totalitarian domination

would be kept in permanent

bondage to satisfy the insa-

itable appetite for power of

their ruthless conquerors.

THE QUESTION that will,

of course, arise is on the

manner and method by

which this curative peace is

to be enforced. The Churchill-Roosevelt declaration, as it was explained by the American commentator, provides for respecting the wishes of all nations—in other words, self-determination by popular election or plebiscite. This brings in the necessity of creating a new association of nations strong enough and showing complete understanding of the principles which must be observed in putting the Eight-Point Declaration into effect. This new association of nations should not be permitted to rise out of the ashes of the now nearly defunct League of Nations, though the lessons learned from the weaknesses which were apparent in the Geneva body should prove useful in evading the pitfalls which it contained during its unfortunately unsuccessful existence. This was primarily due to the fact that international collaboration after the last war was too limited in its scope and, therefore, the League had to narrow down its policy.

ANY NEW League of Nations which must be formed to make this curative peace permanent should not be used to provide a screen behind which political interests can take shelter. In a way, this is provided for in the Churchill-Roosevelt declaration in the clauses which stress the importance of equal economic and sovereign rights for all nations, but what is vitally necessary is that any such new body should remember that the world envisaged in this Anglo-American statement must not offer loopholes through which the "have" or "have not" nations could prejudice its policy. It is here, perhaps, that the Eight-Point Declaration appears idealistic, since it seeks to eliminate racial superiority and the fantastic lebensraum and encirclement crees which pre-

## 3.55 a.m. Arms Raid In Lantau Island Village: Man, Woman Committed

A further sequel to the Police raid, led by Mr. L. A. Searle, A.S.P. (K), and Sgt. J. Allen, on Sha Lo Wan village, Lantau Island, in the early hours of Aug. 3, during which a large quantity of arms and ammunition were seized and several persons arrested, was the appearance before Mr. S. F. Balfour, at the District Office, South, yesterday of CHENG MUN-PING, male, and CHAN SUI-FONG, female, on the charge of unlawful possession of arms and ammunition.

According to the prosecution conducted by Sgt. J. Allen, the raid was carried out at 3.55 a.m. on Aug. 3 when a party of Police, led by Mr. Searle, went to the village.

Going down the side of a hill, the party saw an unnumbered house with a light showing. While the Police were heading for the house, three men came out and disappeared into the darkness.

On coming to the house, they saw two men inside while a woman was standing in the rear of the building. A rifle was lying on a table near the men, while on the ground, under the table, was found a fully-loaded revolver.

While there, Sgt. Allen was left in charge of the arms and prisoners while Mr. Searle, and the rest of the Police party, went to other houses. One of the prisoners brought Sgt. Galvin and Mr. Searle to an unnumbered house where a mauser pistol was found.

In that house was also found a woman, Lal Wal-fong (who was committed for trial by the same Magistrate on Thursday).

## ACCUSED'S EVIDENCE

First defendant reserved his defense, but second accused elected to give evidence on her own behalf.

Chan said that she was a prostitute living in Tai O, and that on the day in question she went to Sha Lo Wan village, between 2 and 3 p.m., to purchase eggs. Owing to the weather she was unable to return to Tai O that evening, although it was her original intention to do so.

She entered an opium divan about 6 p.m., and, after smoking two pipes, fell off to sleep. She denied all knowledge of the arms and ammunitions.

Cross-examined, she admitted that she went to Sha Lo Wan village with Lal Wal-fong.

Both defendants were committed for trial.

## CIVILIAN MEDICAL DEFENCE EXERCISE

An exercise will be carried out tomorrow in connexion with the civilian medical defence of the Colony.

All first aid posts will be manned. Doctors, St. John Ambulance Brigade personnel, members of the A.R.P. Medical Auxiliary of the Brigade, nurses from the Auxiliary Nursing Service, ambulance and lorry personnel, post communication officers and medical liaison officers responsible for communications will all take part in the exercise.

It is hoped that all the personnel named will turn out in full force to ensure that the exercise is successful.

All the officers and personnel named are expected to be on duty at the post assigned to them at 9.30 a.m. prompt. The morning's exercise will end at 12.30 p.m. The exercise will continue in the afternoon and all personnel are required to report at 2 p.m. prompt at their posts. The day's work will terminate at 5 p.m.

The morning will be devoted to the collection, transport and treatment of casualties, and lectures and practical demonstrations on special types of first aid treatment, surgical emergencies, resuscitation, and so on will be given in the afternoon sessions.

precipitated the present world upheaval.

WHEN the present state of the world is viewed in all the horror and barbarity which the Totalitarian system has imposed on it, it seems hard to believe that this curative peace will be able to attain to such high ideals. An Allied victory will be the first step to its realisation, but after that how far will the nations which stand on the victorious side agree on these ideals?

Daily one hears of affirmations being made by those countries which have joined in the fight for freedom that their peace aims will coincide with the principles enunciated by Britain and the United States as the leading democracies. These affirmations have largely been because each and every one of them cherishes the four freedoms, but these affirmations will have to be much stronger and international collaboration much more complete if the curative peace is to accomplish the idealistic state propounded by Britain and the United States.

ANY NEW League of Nations which must be formed to make this curative peace permanent should not be used to provide a screen behind which political interests can take shelter. In a way, this is provided for in the Churchill-Roosevelt declaration in the clauses which stress the importance of equal economic and sovereign rights for all nations, but what is vitally necessary is that any such new body should remember that the world envisaged in this Anglo-American statement must not offer loopholes through which the "have" or "have not" nations could prejudice its policy. It is here, perhaps, that the Eight-Point Declaration appears idealistic, since it seeks to eliminate racial superiority and the fantastic lebensraum and encirclement crees which pre-

## EDITORIAL

## CURRENT COST OF LIVING

Prices ruling in the market during the current week were, on the whole, lower than those of the week previous. Chicken showed a decrease of 20 cents per catty. The price of apples dropped from 65 cents per lb. to 42 cents, but oranges remained steady.

The following are yesterday's quotations with last week's given in brackets:

## MEAT

Beef	70 cents per lb. (72)
Mutton	70 cents per lb. (72)
Pork	90 cents per lb. (90)

## POULTRY

Chicken	\$2.20 per catty (\$2.40)
Capon	1.65 per catty (1.65)
Duck	.90 per catty (.90)
Geese	1.20 per catty (1.25)
Pigeon	.85 each (.85)

## VEGETABLES

Cabbage	.34 per lb. (.36)
Carrots	.30 per lb. (.36)
Cucumber	.18 per lb. (.18)
Lettuce	.30 per lb. (.40)
Melon	.12 per lb. (.12)
Onions	.06 per lb. (.06)
Potatoes	.09 per lb. (.09)
Spinach	.09 per lb. (.09)
String-beans	.34 per lb. (.36)
Tomatoes	.30 per lb. (.30)
Turnips	.46 per lb. (.48)

## FRUITS

Apples, green	.42 per lb. (.45)
Apples, red	.42 per lb. (.45)
Bananas	.15 per lb. (.18)
Grape Fruits	.28 each (.35)
Lemons	.18 each (.18)
Limes	.30 per lb. (.34)
Oranges	.240 per doz. (.240)
Papayas	.20 per lb. (.24)
Pineapples	.16 per lb. (.17)
Pumelos	.20 each (.20)

## NO MONEY TO PAY FOR MEAL

Cheng Tong, 34, of no fixed abode, after partaking of a meal at a restaurant opposite the Macao Steamboat Company wharf yesterday, ran across the road and jumped into the harbour.

He was rescued and taken to Queen Mary Hospital where it was found that he had no money to pay for his meal.

## NEWSSETTES

Lady Northcote is expected to return to the Colony early next week.

H. E. the Governor and Lady Northcote will lunch with the Chinese Members of the Legislative Council and their ladies at the residence of the Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam, J. P., on Tuesday next, Aug. 26, at 1.30 p.m.

H. E. the Governor and Lady Northcote will be present at a Musical Evening to be given by the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, K. T., P. L.L.D., at the Chinese Merchants' Club on Wednesday next, Aug. 27, at 9.15 p.m.

H. E. the Governor and Lady Northcote will lunch with the Sino-British Cultural Association at the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday next Aug. 30, at 1.15 p.m.

Among the passengers that arrived in Hongkong on "President Harrison" was Miss Fu Chol-ha, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fu Yal-san. Miss Fu spent almost three years sightseeing in the United States and Hawaii.

The Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending on Aug. 15 is as follows:—Cholera: Macao 121 cases, Shanghai 71 cases; Small-Pox: Shanghai one case.

H. E. the Governor and Lady Northcote will dine with His Honour Sir Athol MacGregor, Kt., and Lady MacGregor at No. 372, The Peak, on Saturday next, Aug. 30, at 8.30 p.m.

H. E. the Governor and Lady Northcote will dine with the Hon. Commodore A. C. Collinson on board H. M. S. "Tamer" on Friday next, Aug. 29, at 8.30 p.m.

Mr. F. T. T. Durdin, Far Eastern correspondent of the New York Times, left Chongking on Tuesday morning by plane for Kunming en route to Burma, Thailand, Singapore and Manila. He will return to Chongking via Hongkong sometime in October.

It is reported that more than 100 British and American evacuees left Martin by special train on Thursday. Most of them are going to Shanghai.

Speaking about the impending British offensive in the Middle

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 1941.

## AIR WAR IN MIDDLE EAST: GERMANS PLAN NEW MOVE: ALLIES USE AIR TRANSPORT.

"The Germans and Italians have been trying very hard lately to get reinforcements for their troops in North Africa. They have been trying very hard to get across the stretch of water between Sicily and the mainland," said MAJOR OLIVER STEWART, M.C., A.F.C., the well-known aviation expert, when he broadcast from London yesterday on German moves and plans in the Middle East.

## BRITISH PLANS

Major Stewart declared that the allied plans to meet such move had deteriorated somewhat owing to the calls made in other parts of the Empire. Australia had to stiffen up her own defences. But Britain's supply lines for air equipment had been much improved.

## MOVE IN NORTH AFRICA

"The Axis is certainly planning a move in North Africa towards the Suez Canal. I have always maintained that a good guide to the future are air operations. The Suez Canal has lately had a good many bombing raids."

Major Stewart said that an activity from Sicily, however, appeared to be very light and convoys were not being given very much air support these days. This evidence seemed to point to a complete withdrawal of all German aircraft from Sicily. The Germans had a strong air force there in January and it now appeared that the Axis was not going to make any move there.

The Germans, of course, had their hands full at the moment and they had to remove part of their air force from Western Europe. The result was that the bulk of the German air force had to be moved to the east.

## MAKING PREPARATIONS

"But, however, heavily engaged they may be in one part, the Germans always seem to be making preparations for their next move in another part," said Major Stewart. "That is how I interpret the moves in Sicily now. They appear to think that the help the Italians can give will be sufficient for sending supplies across the Sicilian Channel.

"The German air force is very mobile. It could be moved very quickly down to Sicily and North Africa or back again to Western Europe. Their air force is always the last to move and the first to strike. Bases have to be prepared along new defences, but the operational aircraft only arrive at the last moment. That seems to be the idea now."

"But the Germans don't trust the Italians, so they have left a skeleton force in North Africa and these contain aeroplanes of the latest type. Our Tomahawks have met Messerschmitt 110's recently, and in their raids on the Suez Canal they have been using their latest type of bombers. All this tends to show that they are planning for a winter campaign in North Africa."

## LONDON PAPER SENDS REPORTER TO FAR EAST

(TRIBUNE STAFF REPORTER)

Mr. O. D. Gallagher, accredited war correspondent of the London Daily Express, arrived in Malaya recently to find out for himself how things were shaping in the Far East.

Mr. Gallagher has been "covering" the war in the Middle East for his paper. Incidentally, he has covered four wars for the Daily Express during his short journalistic career, first in Abyssinia, then in Spain (whence he was expelled by Franco), in Palestine, during the Arab revolution, in China, when the Sino-Japanese "incident" commenced, and recently in France and the Middle East.

He is only 30 years old and has, as yet, spent the last six years "covering" wars for his paper, which, incidentally, has more connexions with the United States to arrive before launching a "drive to clear Africa of the enemy."

In this connexion he stated that there were Glen Martin Maryland medium, fast bombers; Tomahawk fighters, Brewster Buffaloes and Grumman Martlets; in addition to British manufactured aircraft in the Middle East. He then stated that every nut, bolt and "bit of billy beef" intended for the Luftwaffe had to arrive through Bengal, the most bombed port in the world today.

## WICKHAM STEED

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penalty is threatened to those who listen to them."

Mr. Steed quoted instances from an American writer's article which was published recently in the United States. One instance told how the mother of a German, who was lost in a flight over England, was told by some friends who had listened to the B.B.C. broadcast that her son was still alive as a prisoner. She had promptly informed the authorities that these friends had listened to the B.B.C. and they were punished by the Gestapo. Of course, this action on this German Mother's part was supposed to be heroic.

## SECRET CELEBRATION

"The second instance concerned that of a German submarine lieutenant who, unknown to the German authorities, was rescued by British seamen. His parents who were informed of his death, had arranged for a funeral service but shortly before the service, friends who had listened to the B.B.C. had told them that their son was alive and a prisoner. These parents had kept quiet and carried out the funeral service after which the safety of the lieutenant was secretly celebrated.

"I feel a sort of sneaking admiration for Dr. Goebbels," went on Mr. Steed. "The sort of admiration that one feels for the cleverness of a clever burglar."

Mr. Steed then pointed to the manner in which Dr. Goebbels had blundered in his propaganda over Herr Hess' flight to Scotland. That was because the story had been dictated to him by Hitler and Goebbels had had to convince a bewildered German public. The failure of Hitler to smash his way through the Russian Army and capture Moscow in six weeks as promised by Goebbels, had also made the German people want to know what was happening.

And now, with a winter campaign looming up before them, Herr Hitler and Goebbels had been preparing to launch a peace offensive.

"But somehow or another Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt got together first and launched their peace offensive first before the enemy," said Mr. Steed. "This speaks of the sort of peace that

## CENTRAL HUPEH FLOOD

CHANGTEH Aug. 21 (Central) — Tungshih, a town on the north bank of the Yangtze River approximately midway between Shasi and Ichang, is inundated by flood waters from the river. The town is now under Japanese occupation.

The Tsu and Chin Rivers in the Kingmen-Tanyang area in central Hupeh have also overflowed their banks. The highway between Tanyang and Hopchien is submerged, disrupting Japanese communication.

## Finnish Ship On Fire

NEW YORK, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — The Finnish motorship AURORA, 2,601 tons, which has been in New York since its arrival on July 28 from Curacao, caught fire early this morning at anchorage in the Hudson River just above Manhattan.

The engine-room was reported to be ablaze. Fireboats and ambulances were rushed to the scene. A number of persons were reported to have been forced to jump into the river from the ship.

## NORDS TO FIGHT WITH R.A.F.

LONDON, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — In a week or so the first fighter squadron of the Norwegian Air Force in Britain would be ready to operate with the R.A.F.

Equipped with Hurricanes, its pilots and ground crews have come from all over the world. The pilots are all fliers of great experience who were either in the Norwegian Air Force or were commercial pilots before the invasion of Norway.

## PATIALA LEAVES

SINGAPORE, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — The Maharajah of Patiala has left for India on the conclusion of a visit to Indian troops manning Malaya's defences in the course of which he travelled extensively up-country.

## WILDEST GAMBLING IN SHAI HISTORY

## OPEN EXCHANGE WARFARE

SHANGHAI, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — The mounting tension on the floor of the Nanking-sponsored China Gold Exchange which was inaugurated about a year ago to deal exclusively in fictitious "paper" gold-bars, threatened today to break out into open warfare.

The Exchange has recently been the scene of some of the wildest gambling in Shanghai's history. The turnover for the week ended Aug. 16 approximated \$1,000,000.

As a result of the new foreign exchange regulations instituted on Monday last, gold-bar operations have become virtually impossible, no new business being done, and operations at present are confined to the liquidation of existing accounts.

## HEAVILY OVERSOLD

Meanwhile, it seems that one group of big operators, comprising residents of Shanghai's western "Babylonia" area, has heavily over-sold, and another group known as the Nanking group, has equally heavily overbought.

The officials of the Exchange have decided that all open positions must be liquidated by tomorrow, but it appears that the two opposing groups are preparing to "shoot it out" and fears are expressed in interested circles that guns might be brought into play on the floor of the Exchange.

It is reliably learned that the Exchange will suspend operations as soon as the current position is cleared up.

## S.M. POLICE CLASH WITH STRIKERS

SHANGHAI Aug. 22 (Reuter) — One striker was killed and five seriously injured when a clash occurred yesterday afternoon between Chinese wharf coolies and the Municipal Police on a British-owned Hongkew Wharf in Way-side.

Two foreign police officers were wounded and one is in hospital.

The strikers demanded an increase in wages, whereupon they were locked out by the management of the wharf. The strikers retaliated with acts of sabotage on wharf property.

It is feared the strike will spread to other wharves and cause a tie-up of loading and unloading operations in Shanghai.

## AXIS EVACUEES FROM MANILA

SHANGHAI, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — The French liner Maréchal Joffre arrived here from Manila this morning with over 300 Japanese, German and Italian evacuees from the Philippines.

It is reported the majority of the Japanese are going on to Japan but the Axis refugees will remain in Shanghai.

It was revealed that the ship was subjected to a stringent search before leaving Manila.

## POLES TO FIGHT WITH RUSSIA

LONDON, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — An army of between 100,000 and 120,000 Polish soldiers is likely to be formed on U.S.S.R. territory, according to the present estimate of General W. Anders, newly-appointed Polish C-in-C in Soviet Russia, and General Skysko-Bohus, Chief of the Polish Military Mission there.

It is reported from Moscow, where these Generals have taken up duties, that it is considered that a Polish army of between four and six army corps would be raised among the former Polish war prisoners capable of bearing arms.

## CHINESE AIRMEN

SHANGHAI Aug. 22 (Reuter) — Some 120 Chinese volunteers from Singapore have been sent to Manilla by the Chinese Government for air training by American experts, according to local Chinese reports.

After completing their course they will return to China to join the Chinese Air Force.

## CABLE

## WORLD'S BEST CRUISER TANK

## "Covenanter" Now In Service

LONDON, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — "Covenanter," Britain's latest and fastest cruiser tanks, are probably the best designed tank of their type in the world.

Britain's armoured divisions are now equipped with many of this type as well as every description of fighting vehicles—trucks, cars and motor-cycles.

It has been suggested in German military circles that war has now reached such a high degree of technical perfection that it would be impossible in the comparatively short period of the war itself to train men for such specialised fighting units but the British Army has now many technical formations capable at their own game.

## "TIN HEARSE"

The latest British tanks have given even greater speed to the armoured division without diminishing their striking power and many of the lessons learnt in this present war are represented in the most recent models.

A typical division with its moving armoured G. H. Q. familiarly called the "tin hearse" and including the latest American-made 70 m.p.h. armoured trucks has, in addition to its own artillery, scout cars, medical corps, anti-tank, anti-aircraft and infantry units.

## ATROCITIES BY NAZIS

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joined the guerrillas, and declares:

"Corpses, corpses and again corpses—all tortured and killed people—the same scene in every village, in every town where the Germans have passed."

## GANG OF ROBBERS

"What Army ever committed such crimes?" asks Pravda. "Does the Fascist gang of robbers deserve the name of army, for these monstrosities from all these crimes are not isolated cases—they are a mass phenomenon—a system taught by the German and Fascist Army Command."

After giving an extract from the notebook of a dead German soldier referring to the mass executions of the population, it quotes an excerpt from the secret instruction of a German army commander.

This instruction states: "It is necessary to emphasise once more the fundamental problems arising from conditions of warfare on the eastern front. Here, more than on the other fronts, it is necessary to develop in the German soldier a feeling of mercilessness. A feeling of compassion towards anybody, irrespective of age or sex, cannot be tolerated."

"Every initiative of German soldiers likely to spread fear of the German Army must be encouraged. It is necessary to include in every German soldier a feeling of personal interest in this war."

## WILL NEVER FORGET

"The Soviet people will never forget nor will it forgive these crimes. This blood calls for cruel and merciless vengeance. This vengeance will come and its hour is near. The Soviet people have arisen in the fatherland war and they will not lay down arms until the enemy is crushed and annihilated."

"Blood for blood; death for death."

## TWO MILLION CASUALTIES

MOSCOW, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — Nearly two million casualties were suffered by the Germans in the first two months of the war on the Eastern front, according to the Soviet estimate announced by M. Lozovsky, of the Soviet Information Bureau, today.

About half of this two million were killed.

"Never in history has an army been known to suffer such losses in such a short time," said M. Lozovsky.

## BULK CROSSED

ANKARA, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — It is strongly rumoured here that the bulk of the army of Marshal Budenny, Soviet Commander in the Ukraine, has safely crossed the Dneiper.

## SUICIDE FOR JAPAN

SINGAPORE, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — The death of the S.A. Group Leader, Helms Kruckmeyer, one of the oldest Nazi Party members, while fighting on the Russian front was reported by the German radio yesterday.

After completing their course they will return to China to join the Chinese Air Force.

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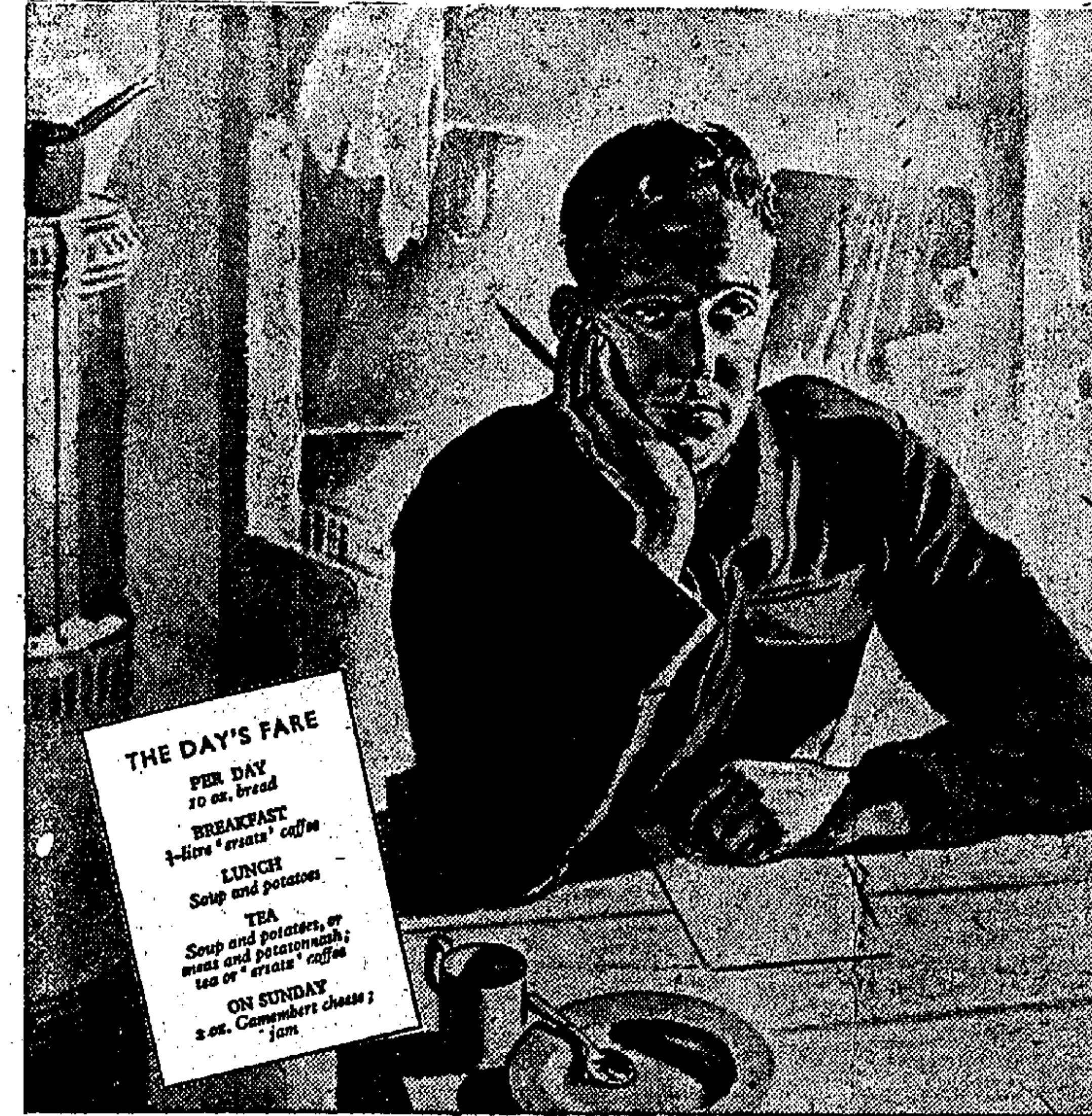
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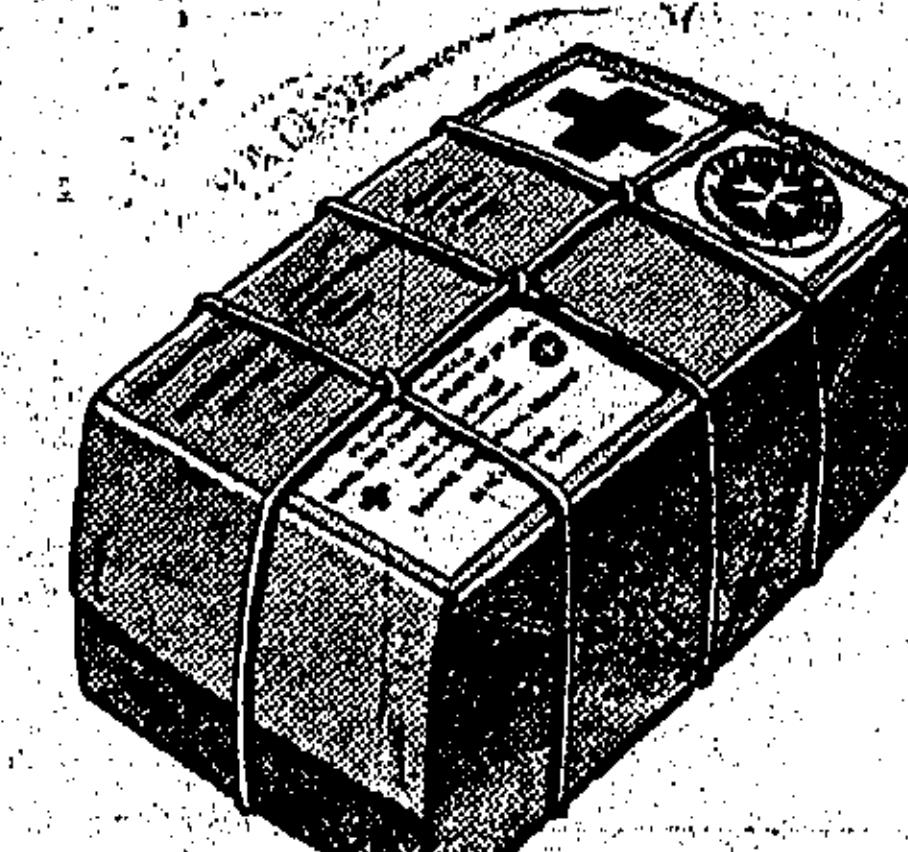
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## IF YOU were a prisoner of war

Cut off from home, bored, inadequately fed, what would the arrival of a weekly parcel containing 10/- worth of good food mean to you? During the past month alone, 363,658 food parcels were dispatched by the Red Cross & St. John to our prisoners of war.

Look at this parcel. Think what its arrival signifies to a man whose food is otherwise based on typical German war rations.



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1 lb gravy	1 lb onions
1 lb pudding	1 lb turnips
1 lb custard	1 lb turnips
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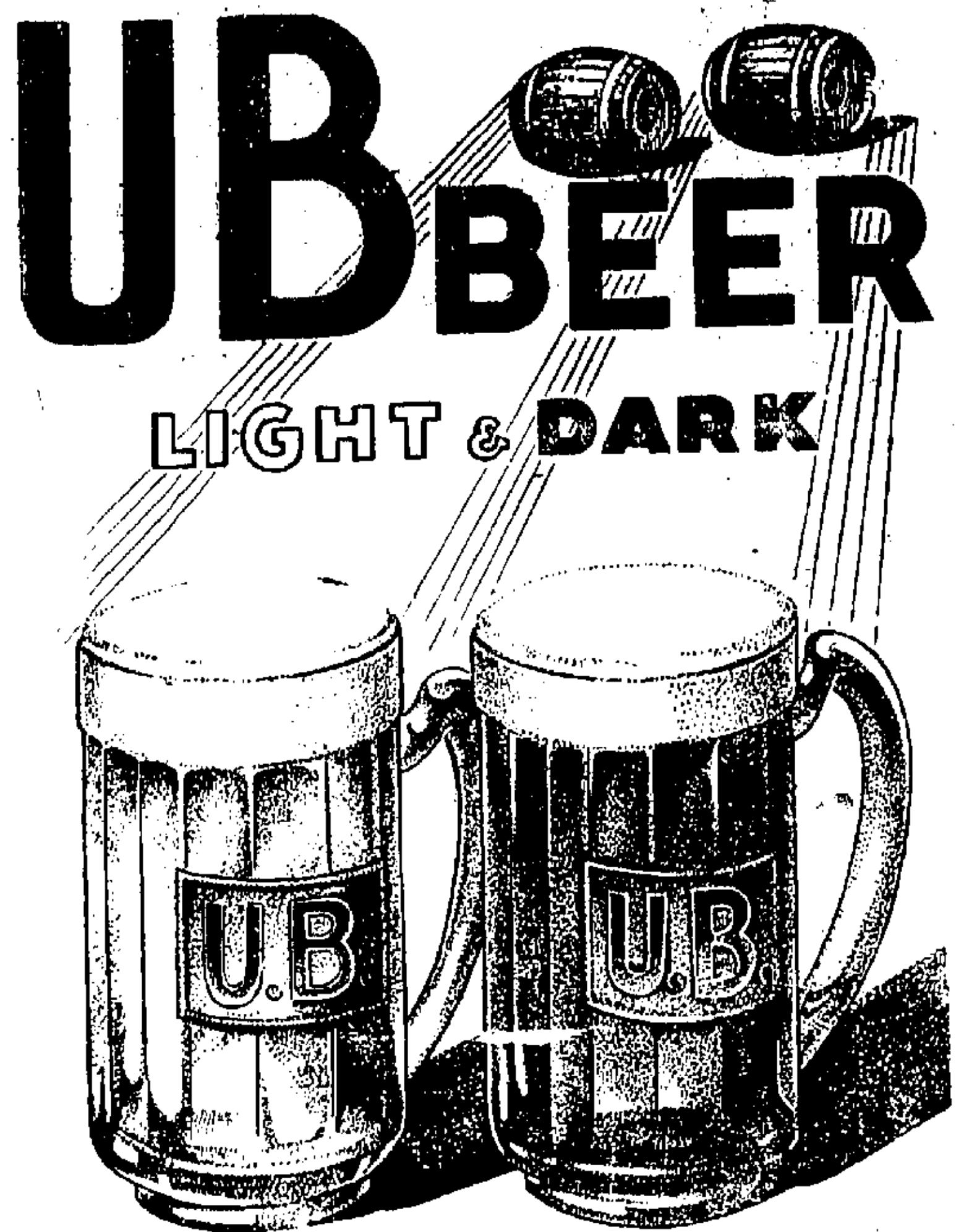
## SUICIDE FOR JAPAN

SINGAPORE, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — It would be suicide for Japan to fight as she has not control of the air without which her navy cannot operate," said Sir Victor Sassoon on his arrival here yesterday.

Sir Victor added that he did not think that Japan would go to war

## TRAIN SERVICE REDUCED

SINGAPORE, Aug. 22 (Reuter) — The situation on the Eastern Front makes an attempt to avoid England improbable, this was stated by the Berlin correspondent of the Asian Tribune in a cable to his newspaper yesterday.



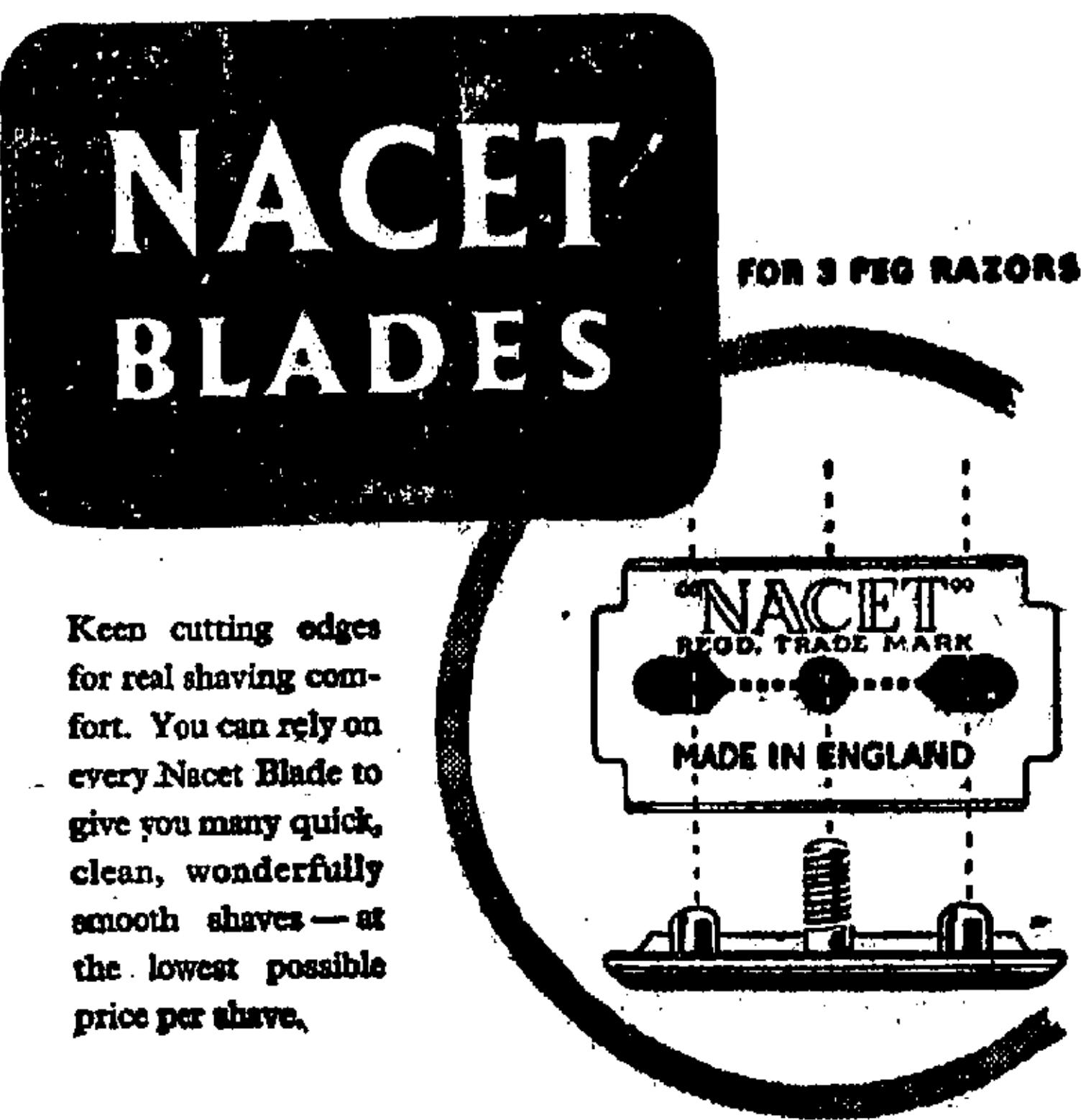
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## CATHOLIC NEWS &amp; NOTES

## PATRON OF TARANTO: BARONETCY &amp; ITS PAST: CONVENT EDUCATION

The Gospel read in tomorrow's Mass is the parable of the Good Samaritan, from the tenth chapter of St. Luke's Gospel. This is one of the best known of all the parables told by Christ, and it is so familiar to all that the term "a good Samaritan" is a common expression in practically all European countries.

It may seem strange that in a small country like Palestine there should have been such a cleavage between Jews and Samaritans, but it was one that had a historical origin and had religious reasons to support it.

When the Kingdom of Israel became separated from that of Judah, the city of Samaria became the capital of the country of Israel. Two hundred years later the Assyrians conquered Israel after a long siege of the city and took the survivors into captivity.

Instead of the Israelites who were taken away colonies of Chaldeans, Syrians, Arabs and others were sent to take their place, and the country, as well as the capital city, became known as Samaria.

The hostility to the Jewish race and religion survived to the time of Christ. This gave the special point to His story about the Good Samaritan.

## PATRON OF TARANTO

The city of Taranto, the Italian city which has acquired new fame as a target for air-raids, has an Irish patron saint. St. Peter and St. Mark laid the foundation of its Christianity, but afterwards, for want of priests, the people fell away.

An Irish bishop, returning from a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, was shipwrecked and washed ashore near Taranto. He was St. Cathal, a Waterford man, who had studied and taught at Lismore. It is said that he ruled over that famous school for some years after the death of its founder, St. Carthage.

Today his remains lie in a marble tomb in the sacristy of Taranto Cathedral, and from Lombardy to Sicily, churches, children, confraternities and guilds, towns and parishes, bear his name. No other Irish saint, perhaps not even St. Columban, is more widely venerated in Italy than San Cataldo, second Bishop of Taranto.

## BARONETCY &amp; ITS PAST

The recent death of Sir Henry Paston Bedingfield, eighth baronet, has recalled memories of the Catholic past. The late baronet was one of a long Catholic line. His ancestral home at Oxburgh, in Norfolk, has a chapel in which the Blessed Sacrament was reserved during all the penal times, and the whole village is Catholic to the present day.

The head of the Bedingfield family has been a knight since Norman times and a baronet since the Restoration.

When Mary Tudor was Queen, Sir Henry Bedingfield was the Governor of the Tower of London. He was the gaoler to the Princess Elizabeth. Later, as Queen Elizabeth visited Orburgh Hall.

The late Sir Henry Bedingfield was educated at Stonyhurst and was a Major in the 3rd King's Liverpool Regiment.

## CONVENT EDUCATION

It was one of the daughters of the first Bedingfield baronet who introduced into the rural areas of London in 1868 practically the first Catholic high school for young ladies.

This was the first permanent foundation in England of Mary

The Golden Text will be: "Who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him?" (1 Corinthians 2: 16).

Amongst others the following citations will be read from the Bible: "For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been his counsellor? For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen." (Rom. 11: 34, 35).

Amongst others the following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "God is His own infinite Mind and expresses all. The Scriptures imply that God is all-in-all. From this it follows that nothing possesses reality nor existence except the divine Mind and His ideas. God is Mind and God is infinite, hence all is Mind. On this statement rests the Science of being, and the Principle of this Science is divine, demonstrating harmony and immortality." (Science and Health, Pages 310, 331, 492).

SERVICES IN MANDARIN CHRIST CHURCH

9 a.m. Holy Communion, morning prayer and sermon—Preacher, the Rev. K.L. Reichert, D.D., Director of the Taipingshan Christian Institute.

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# Europe's Culture Now In London

As the war effort in England gathers ever increasing momentum, the cultural life of the nation goes on.

To the questions whether new books are being written and discussed, pictures painted, debates held, new plays put on in the West End of London, there can be but one answer. For what would it avail us if, having won the war, everything for which democratic people are fighting had been completely neglected in the years of struggle—all the world of mind and beauty, of creative thought and free expression.

So it is that a new concerto by a young English composer receives its first performance in London in April, 1941. Bach's *Passion Music* and the great classical symphonies fill the Queen's Hall time after time.

Notable work is being done by painters. It is seen at the Royal Academy which opens, as usual, in May; and in the many individual exhibitions as well as the collection of commissioned war paintings on view at the National Gallery.

## LIGHTING THE NEW DARK AGE

London has in a true sense become the centre of European culture. The heart of Europe beats not at the centre but near the perimeter. So was it long ago in the Dark Ages, when the Irish monks kept alight the little flame which was to light civilisation on its way and be a beacon to a pagan continent. In the sixth and seventh centuries it was Irish missionaries who carried Christianity through pagan England to France, Burgundy, the valley of the Rhine and Switzerland to the heathen Bavarians.

Now Britain is shielding that self-same flame. The continent is again in the grip of paganism and longing eyes are turned to the country of free men where the mind is not enchanted. Never have refugees of so many nationalities fleeing from oppression found asylum here. Not only from Germany and Austria do they come, but from Poland, Czechoslovakia, Norway, Holland, Belgium and France.

The stage has been further enriched by continental talent. Chamber music flourished not only daily at the National Gallery but at the "Polish Hearth." The Czech Trio shows us how Dvorak should be played and no squadron of Czech airmen is without its virtuous violinist.

Everywhere these gifted foreigners, fighting our common enemy,

## BERNHARD WITH DUTCH PILOTS

### R.A.F. Thanked For Training Facilities

LONDON, Aug. 22 (Reuter)—Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands visited a Royal Air Force aerodrome on Wednesday where Dutch fighter pilots are in training, the Prince arriving in his own plane which he was piloting.

He took off as leader of a training formation of nine machines, all piloted by Dutch flyers.

On landing the Prince said to his compatriots: "I am proud that thanks to the co-operation of the R.A.F. we are now able to train Dutchmen as fighter pilots here in England, so that shortly we may have many Dutch squadrons in action with the R.A.F."

"These squadrons will fly Spitfires presented by the Netherlands."

"I am grateful for the excellent training the R.A.F. has given me and I have no doubt that you will all appreciate the facilities given by Great Britain. I wish you all the best of luck during and after your training."

## COMBINED ASSAULT ON AXIS URGED

NEW YORK, Aug. 22 (Reuter)—A call for President Roosevelt to propose and Congress to approve a declaration of war against the Axis nations is made in the New Republic, one of America's foremost liberal weeklies.

There is a chance, the magazine says, of "immediate and complete" victory over Hitler if the United States, Russia and Britain launch a combined assault. America, it asserts, is better prepared to fight Germany now with allies than later with none.

"If it is not our war we should have nothing to do with it. But we have decided otherwise. If it is our war, enough so that we must put our material wealth into the scales on one side only, then it is our war to fight, as well."

## GOLD RESERVES OF BANK OF FRANCE

### Mystery Surrounds Portion In Dakar

LONDON, Aug. 22 (Reuter)—"Where is the Bank of France's gold?" asks the *Financial News* yesterday commenting on the first weekly statement published by the Bank of France since the collapse, showing that the gold reserves of the Bank amount to \$1 billion francs.

This figure does not differ materially from the amount of gold held by the Bank of France since the collapse, showing that the gold reserves of the Bank amount to \$1 billion francs.

As is well known, a large amount was transferred to the United States before the collapse and was frozen by order of the Washington administration. Another substantial amount found its way to Martinique and is kept there.

U.S.—VICHY ACCORD An agreement was recently reached between the Vichy Government and the United States Government by which the former undertook to consult the latter before moving any gold from Martinique. In return the American authorities agreed to release some of the French gold frozen in the United States for the urgent requirements of the inhabitants of Martinique.

A substantial part of the French gold reserve was evacuated to Dakar. Complete mystery surrounds the fate of this gold.

According to one theory, a French warship transferred it to Martinique, but is more probable that the gold is still at Dakar. One wonders how long it will be before the Vichy Government agrees to surrender part of its gold to Germany.

### MUNITION WORKERS IN AUSTRALIA

CANBERRA, Aug. 22 (Reuter)—Munition workers in Australia are now estimated at 200,000—Some 60,000 more than the Government expected a year ago.

Announcing this, Mr. P. A. McBride, Minister of Munitions, said that the number employed on the Government pay-roll is expected to double this financial year.

Excluding the Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation and the principal dockyards, Government-owner factories are now employing 58,000 operatives compared with 24,000 a year ago and 11,700 before the war.

A scheme for controlling the price of sweets and chocolates is being worked out by a large section of the trade at the request of the Ministry of Food.

## CHINA SEEKS TO REVIVE SILK TRADE

CHUNGKING, Aug. 22 (Central)—A possible shortage of raw silk in the United States has revived the hopes of Chinese silk-producers who, despite the war, have been trying to improve and increase silk production and find means to export it.

The Foreign Trade Commission spent \$1,700,000 for the latter half of last year and earlier half of this year for the improvement of Szechuan silk and for stimulation of production. The Women's Advisory Committee of the New Life Movement under the direction of Madame Chiang Kai-shek maintains experimental stations in west Szechuan cities to introduce new methods of raising silkworms and controlling diseases. Other institutions too joined the silk production campaign.

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Before the war, China's silk export went to Hongkong (for transhipment), the United States, France, Italy and the South Seas. Since the war, most of Chinese silk goes to the United States, France, India, Burma and England. A portion of it goes to Japan from Shanghai where the Japanese have control over the plantations in the occupied areas.

In the last few years the National Government has been promoting sericulture in the Southwest, especially Szechuan, and Yunnan and silk has been exported over the Burma Road.

## FINANCE & GENERAL

## Russia's Big Air Force Is Out Of Date

(BY MAJOR C. C. TURNER, ONE OF BRITAIN'S FOREMOST WRITERS ON AVIATION)

Of the Russian Air Force as a whole, it is probably fair to say that, class by class, the speeds of its aircraft are 50 to 100 m.p.h. less than those of the R.A.F., and that in other respects also it is inferior.

Unless in the past few months new types have been put into production, Stalin's air force has not fighters nor bombers comparable to four or five British types or, for that matter, to one of two Germany's best. There is no news of new types in Russia.

Russia's first-line aircraft strength is from 4,000 to 5,000 more than that of Britain or Germany at the beginning of the war; but this means little.

In the present crisis operational strength on the western frontier, the depth of reserves, and the quality of machines and personnel are the important factors.

There is hardly any question that a German advance into Russia, opposed or unopposed, would be into the Ukraine, where Hitler hopes to obtain coal, food, and raw materials of many kinds of which he is in great need. An advance in this direction would also constitute a menace to Iraq and Iran.

There are in these regions important centres of aircraft manufacture and industrial organisation set up in recent years, the most important being Kiev, Odessa, and Sebastopol.

### OUTPUT FAR BEHIND

Far to the north-east are Fili, near Moscow, and Gorki (formerly Nijni Novgorod), the two most important Russian aircraft centres. These would in certain contingencies be bombing objectives.

Altogether Russia has 15 important aircraft and four aeroplane works, but production capacity is believed to be no more than 5,000 aircraft and 15,000 engines annually.

It is therefore not a quarter of that of either Britain or Germany; and, owing to shortage of skilled labour and, probably, machinery also, it is not capable of rapid expansion.

Most Russian aircraft design has been borrowed from, or is based upon that of other countries, and Germany had much to do with laying the foundations of the Russian aircraft industry; yet in aeronautical research Russian laboratories have made highly important contributions.

Russia was the first to develop seriously paratroop equipment and organisation and also big troop carrying gliders. On the civil and scientific side there have been notable exploratory flights over the northern top of the world to America, and much stratosphere exploration.

But the Soviet's incapacity for effective aerial invasion was revealed in the attack against Finland, which confirmed expert opinion that organisation was poor, though she is said to have 100,000 paratroops.

A postcard sent from Russia on March 17, 1902, has just been delivered to Manor Farm, Herrard, a Hampshire village near Basingstoke. It was addressed to a former tenant of the farm.

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## ACHTUNG, HAWKINS! ACHTUNG!

"Easy, Hawkins, you might be more careful. You nearly had me over the balaclava."

"Well, Sir, now that you press me, you were out rather late last night."

"Of course I was. Didn't get back till three. But I drank nothing but 'Ginjens.' And now I'm feeling as fit as one of those culinary white-iris-names."

"Triotts, Sir. I'm not surprised, Sir. Rose's Lime Juice possesses therapeutic properties which . . ."

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"Indeed, Sir."

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## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

AUGUST 22, 1941.

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
Adams Express	7	Johnsmanville	66
Alleghany Steel Co.	234	Kennecott Copper	384
Allis Chalmers	294	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	28
Amer Can	82	Lockheed Aircraft	276
American Cyanamid B	394	Loew's Inc.	368
Amer & Foreign Power	2	Martin, Glen L Co.	278
Amer & Foreign \$7 pf	212	Montgomery Ward	344
Amer Locomotive Co.	136	National Aviation	94
Amer. Metals	19	Nat Dairy Products	148
Amer. Radiator	142	National Distillers	224
Amer. Rolling Mill	142	Nat Power & Light	54
Amer. Stin'g and R'ng Co.	412	National Supply Corp.	71
Amer. Sugar Refining	182	New York Central	124
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	152	Niagara Hudson Power	21
Amer. Tobacco "B"	69	N American Aviation	15
Amer. Waterworks	44	North American Co. (New)	128
Anaconda Copper	28	Northern Pacific	74
Atchison, T & S. Fe.	272	Packard Motors	3
Aviation Corp.	34	Panepco Oil Ven.	4
Baldwin Locomotive Co.	154	Paramount Pictures	143
Baltimore & Ohio	44	Pennsylvania R.R.	234
Barndall Oil	94	Phillips Petroleum	442
Bendix Aviation	374	Pullman Inc.	274
Bethlehem Steel	682	Pure Oil	94
Bliss & Co. E.W. (com.)	164	Radio Corp. of Am.	4
Bowing Airplane Co.	182	Reading Company, Com	168
Borg-Warner	188	Remington Arms Co., Inc	48
Briggs Mfg. Co.	198	Republic Aviation Corp.	34
Budd Manufacturing Corp	46	Republic Steel	194
Canadian Pacific	46	Reynold Tobac "B"	324
Celanese Corp.	254	Schenley Distillers	16
Chesapeake & Ohio	374	Shell Union Oil	14
Chrysler	58	Socony-Vacuum Oil	94
Columbus Gas & Elec	23	Southern Pacific	138
Commercial Credit Co	234	Southern Rly \$5 pf	304
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	8	Spicer Manufacturing Co	374
Consolidated Edison Co.	174	Standard Brands	51
Consolidated Oil	54	Standard Gas & Elec.	17
Copperweld Steel	154	Standard Oil of N.J.	434
Curtiss Wright (C)	9	Studebaker Com	58
Distillers Corp. (Seagram)	18	Swift International	224
Douglas Aircraft	70	Technicolor	42
Du Pont de Nemours	1588	Texas Corp	28
Eagle Picher Lead	94	Trans-Americas Co	48
Elec. Autolite Co.	284	20th Cent. Fox Film, Com.	84
Elec Bond & Share	24	Union Bag & Paper Corp	102
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf	54	Union Pacific	814
Elec. Bond & Share \$8 pf	58	United Aircraft	40
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf	35	United Airlines Trans	114
Flintkote	144	United Corp	916
Gen. Electric	32	United Corp. \$3 cum pf	234
Gen. Motors	388	United Gas Improvement	78
Gen. Railway Signal	144	U.S. Rubber	24
Gen. Tire & Rubber	124	U.S. Steel	564
Goodrich (B.F.)	186	Vanadium	25
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	186	Vultex Aircraft	71
Great Northern Iron Ore	174	Walworth Co.	5
Great Northern Rly, pfid	26	Warner Bros. Pict.	5
Great Western Sugar	26	Westinghouse Elec.	914
Inter. Nickel	267	Woodward Iron Cor.	264
Inter. Paper & Power	173	Chase National Bank	304
Int. Tel. & Tel. (Fon. Is.)	24	National City Bank	27

## DOW JONES AVERAGE

1941	High	Low	Dow Jones Averages	Aug. 20, 1941.	High	Low	Close	Changes
High Low Dow Jones Averages	116.30	30	Industrials	126.01	126.42	126.72	125.99	.02 up
30.88	26.64	20	Rails	30.21	30.41	30.19	30.21	.09 off
20.66	17.23	15	Utilities	18.36	18.31	18.21	18.26	.10 off
92.19	89.56	40	Bonds	90.63	90.72	90.72	90.69	.06 off
79.45	65.45	11	Commodity Index	79.18	78.78	78.78	78.66	.06 off
				Business Done	390,000 shares			

## BANK OF ENGLAND

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).

Aug. 14 (000's Omitted)

37,670 35,620

Public Deposits	
Other Deposits:	
Bankers	96,130
Other Accounts	39,320
Total	135,450
Government Securities	162,200
Other Securities:	
Discounts and Advances	6,250
Securities	18,840
Total	25,090
Notes and Coins	13,760
Total Bullion	1,970
Notes in circulation	668,180
Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities	8.53%
Price of Gold at which holdings are valued	168/-
	168/-

## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM RETURNS

NEW YORK, Aug. 21 (Reuter). 1940 1941 1941

Aug. 15 Aug. 14 Aug. 21

(100's Omitted)

\$ \$ \$

Bills Bought	2,446,000	2,184,000	2,184,000
U.S. Securities held	89.30%	91.22%	91.11%
Federal Reserve Ratio			
Federal Reserve Credit Outstanding	2,495,000	2,247,000	2,272,000
Monetary Gold Stocks	20,689,000	22,703,000	22,710,000
Industrial Advances	8,545,000	9,270,000	9,586,000

## OIL PRODUCTION CONTROLLED

American oil production was drastically controlled at present, but it necessary untold quantities could be taken from the fields, said Mr. Leo Ranney, American oil export, in Australia.

With Mr. Charles Fairbank, another American oil expert, Mr. Ranney has come to Australia at the invitation of the Commonwealth Government to investigate the potentialities of the Lakes Entrance oilfields.

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATIONS

AUGUST 22, 1941.

REUTER'S SERVICE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

AUGUST 22, 1941.

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Issued & Fully Paid-Up \$20,000,000  
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## THREE SANITARY DEPT. COOLIES IMPRISONED FOR DEMANDING MONEY

Three Sanitary Department coolies employed by the Urban Council, MAK WAH, PAU SHU-CHUEN and LI KWAN, who were stated by the prosecution to be in the habit of demanding money from hawkers-stallholders, were charged before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday with demanding, with menaces, the sum of \$30 from Shu Shu, mistress of a cooked food stall at Yaumati, and her son, Kong Tai, on June 17.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, assisted by Det-Sgt. N. B. Fraser, appeared for the prosecution. The jury empanelled comprised Messrs J. F. Shea (Foreman), Chick Ching-kwong, M.A. Tavares, V. F. da Czevedo, Yuen Kam-fu, Wong Sheuk-lui and Wong Moon-heung.

Mr. Murphy stated that at 8 p.m. on June 17 last Kong Tai was closing his stall at Dundas Street when second accused, who was in uniform, approached him and asked him to bring his mother (the licensee) to the Tung Fong Cafe the same evening to discuss a most important matter.

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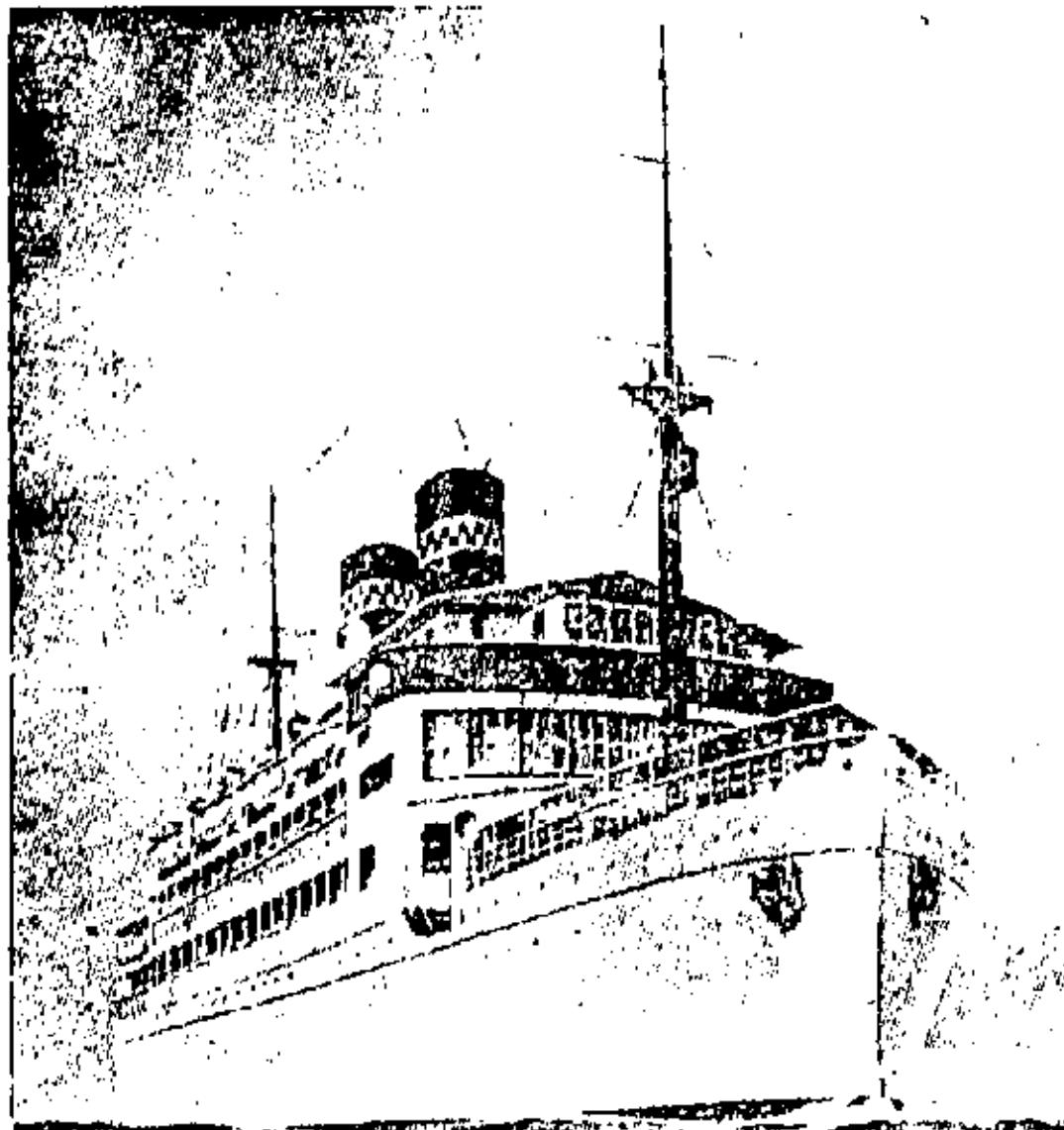
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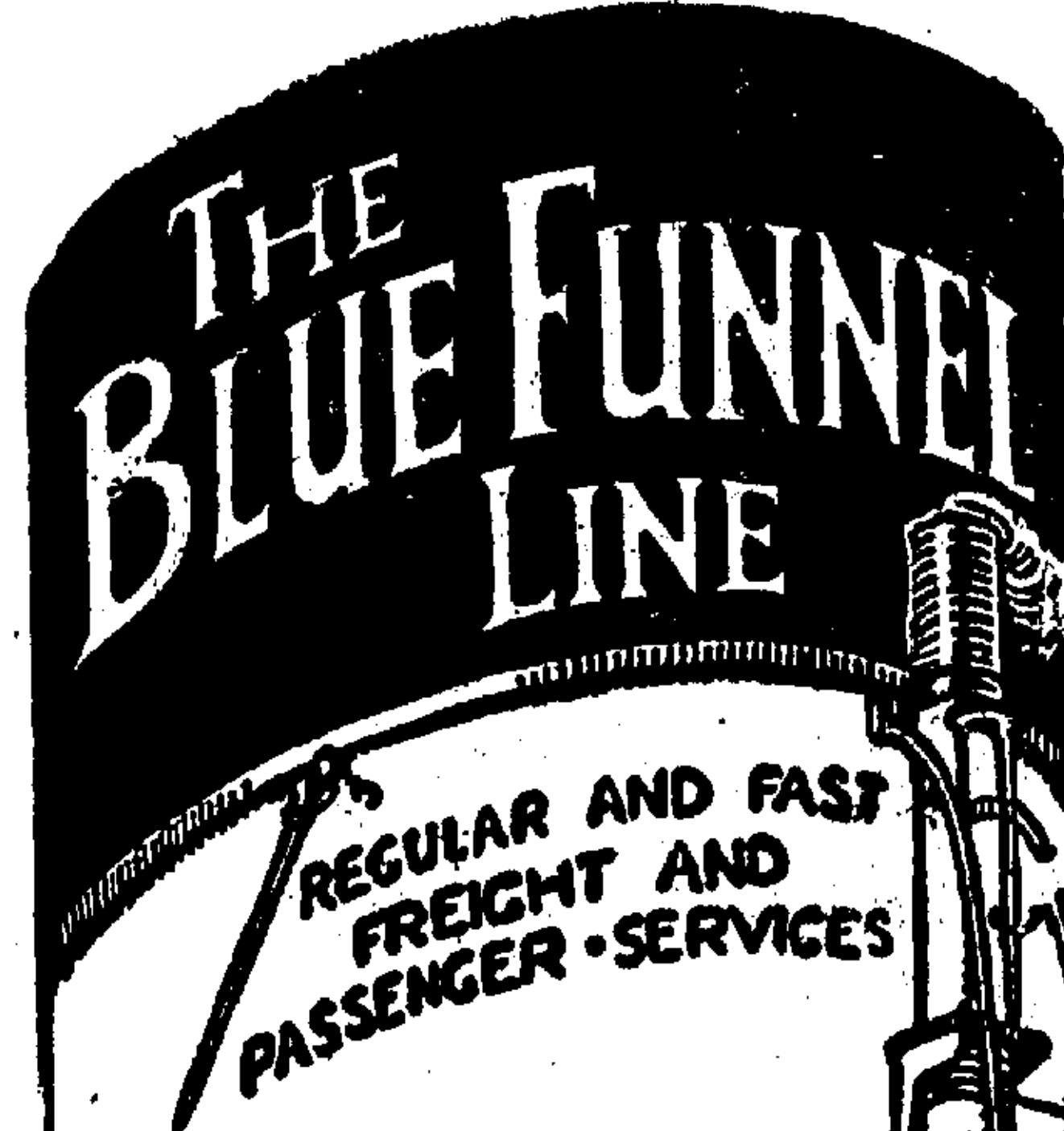
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## RADIO RIGHTS CLAIMED

### SPORT BROADCASTS WITHOUT PERMIT

Suggestions that sporting bodies should have a right to prevent commercial broadcasting stations from describing their programmes were vigorously opposed by Mr. R. Dooley, secretary of the Australian Commercial Broadcasting Federation, in evidence to the Federal Parliamentary committee inquiring into broadcasting.

Mr. Calwell, M.H.R., asked if it would be regarded as stealing to take the right of broadcasting by erecting a tower overlooking a sports arena, contrary to the wishes of a sporting body. Mr. Dooley replied that commercial stations would probably be willing to pay for the right of broadcast from within the enclosure, but had the assurance of a Privy Council ruling that broadcasting without permission was not illegal.

Mr. Dooley said many sporting bodies discriminated against commercial stations, possibly unwittingly, because sole rights to broadcast were bought by the Australian Broadcasting Commission. He believed football and cricket bodies using the M.C.G. would favor commercial broadcasting, but the trustees objected to advertising interspersed in the descriptions.

Mr. Dooley did not think the A.B.C. crowded out commercial stations and thought it would share broadcasting rights.

#### EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

He claimed commercial stations provided an educational service, including 3DB's Heckle Hour as one of the best educational features on the air.

Refuting a suggestion that commercial stations retarded the establishment of national regional stations, Mr. Dooley said the greatest expansion of commercial broadcasting was during the depression, when money could not have been devoted to national stations. Between 1931 and 1935 500,000 additional listeners were served by 48 new commercial stations and only three additional national stations.

In 1931 £3321 was paid by commercial stations for performing rights, which figure rose to £30,061 in 1940.

### Axis Troops On Move In S. Bulgaria

ANKARA, Aug. 22 (Reuter)—Reports from a very reliable source give the first indications since the Nazi invasion of Soviet Russia of Axis troop movements in southern Bulgaria.

In addition, Italian troops at Plovdiv, with Italian Staff Officers, are reported to have made a reconnaissance of the Maritsa Valley.

Other reports speak of Italy increasing her garrisons in Greek islands.

Despite the possibility of such troop movements being the prelude to fresh Axis adventures in the Balkans, Turkey expresses complete confidence that Germany has no hostile intentions towards her.

CAIRO, Aug. 22 (Reuter)—A Ministry of Interior communiqué, announcing an air raid on Alexandria last night, states that bombs were dropped, causing three killed, six injured and slight damage.

### S.M.C. Tightens Press Censorship

The Shanghai Municipal Council has tightened censorship over foreign-owned Chinese newspapers.

A circular was issued to all such newspapers prohibiting the publication of anything of an "anti-Japanese" nature. Even translation of such articles from papers in foreign languages are not allowed.

Any news regarding Japan or speeches, statements and communiques of a political nature which are translated from papers in foreign languages must be submitted to the censors before publication.

In addition to such words as "enemy" and "bogus", which are banned by a previous circular, others that tend to reflect upon Japanese prestige such as "tout", "wanton bombing", "war-weariness of Japanese soldiers" and "aggression" are also prohibited.

News concerning comfort of troops, donations of funds to the State and purchase of war bonds by the Chinese as well as statistics of Japanese casualties are not allowed to be published. (Central News).

WELLINGTON, Aug. 22 (Reuter)—Mr. Nash, Acting Prime Minister, announced that if it is necessary to extend the Empire air training scheme beyond April 1943, New Zealand will continue to participate. It is probable that Mr. Fraser, Prime Minister, will investigate the matter when he visits Canada on his way home from England.

## HITLER 'INSANITY'

### Boy Said Voice Told Him To Kill

It was said by a doctor that two boys who pleaded guilty at the Old Bailey to attempted murder charges seemed to be suffering from what might be termed "Hitlerian Insanity."

Both regarded themselves as pro-Nazis and great admirers of Hitler.

Mr. Justice Asquith directed that the youths, George Henry Bister, 15, and James Charles Kimber, 16, be detained for three years under a section of the Children and Young Persons Act, which enables the Home Secretary to review a case from time to time, says the news of the World.

The charges related to another boy, Ernest Vivian Lipscombe, at an approved school at Redhill, Surrey.

Bister and Kimber were alleged to have taken knives from the school dining-room and ground them to make daggers.

Mr. Stuart Horner, prosecuting, stated that, on March 23, when Lipscombe was in the garden, Bister whipped out a knife and struck him in the neck and back. Kimber was alleged to have said in a statement:

"Bister sent a town boy to a chemist's shop to get some chlorine of potash. We had previously arranged to kill a number of boys in the dormitory with our daggers. The potash was to fire haystack and distract attention. When the boy brought the chlorine he delivered it to a master."

"BEYOND CONTROL"

"Bister said to me, 'I cannot stand being humiliated by all these boys. The only thing to do is to kill one and make a dash for it.'

"I saw Lipscombe in the garden ... I had only just got my knife out, or I would have finished it off. I buried my knife under a tree."

Bister was alleged to have said, after seeing Kimber's statement: "It is accurate as far as it goes. We intended burning the house to destroy any bodies of boys we might have killed or injured."

It was stated that Bister had been sent to the approved school for three years for theft, and Kimber, who had been to a famous West of England public school, had been found beyond the control of his parents.

Dr. Rossiter Lewis declared he thought Bister was suffering from delusional insanity, though he knew what he was doing and was perfectly fit to plead.

Kimber, he believed, was a psychopathic personality. The case was one in which a person who was insane so influenced another that they both committed the same kind of thing.

The important feature was that Bister suffered from a delusion that everything he did was carried out as a result of being told what to do by a voice.

On occasions he described how it had spoken to him from horses in the street, or trees in the woods, but sometimes from people standing near him. There was no doubt "it" was responsible for the attempted murder.

Bister boasted of having hidden arms and ammunition in some woods, and added, "The voice commanded me to give you this information. I am commanded to kill you and then take my own life. The voice must be obeyed when it commands."

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